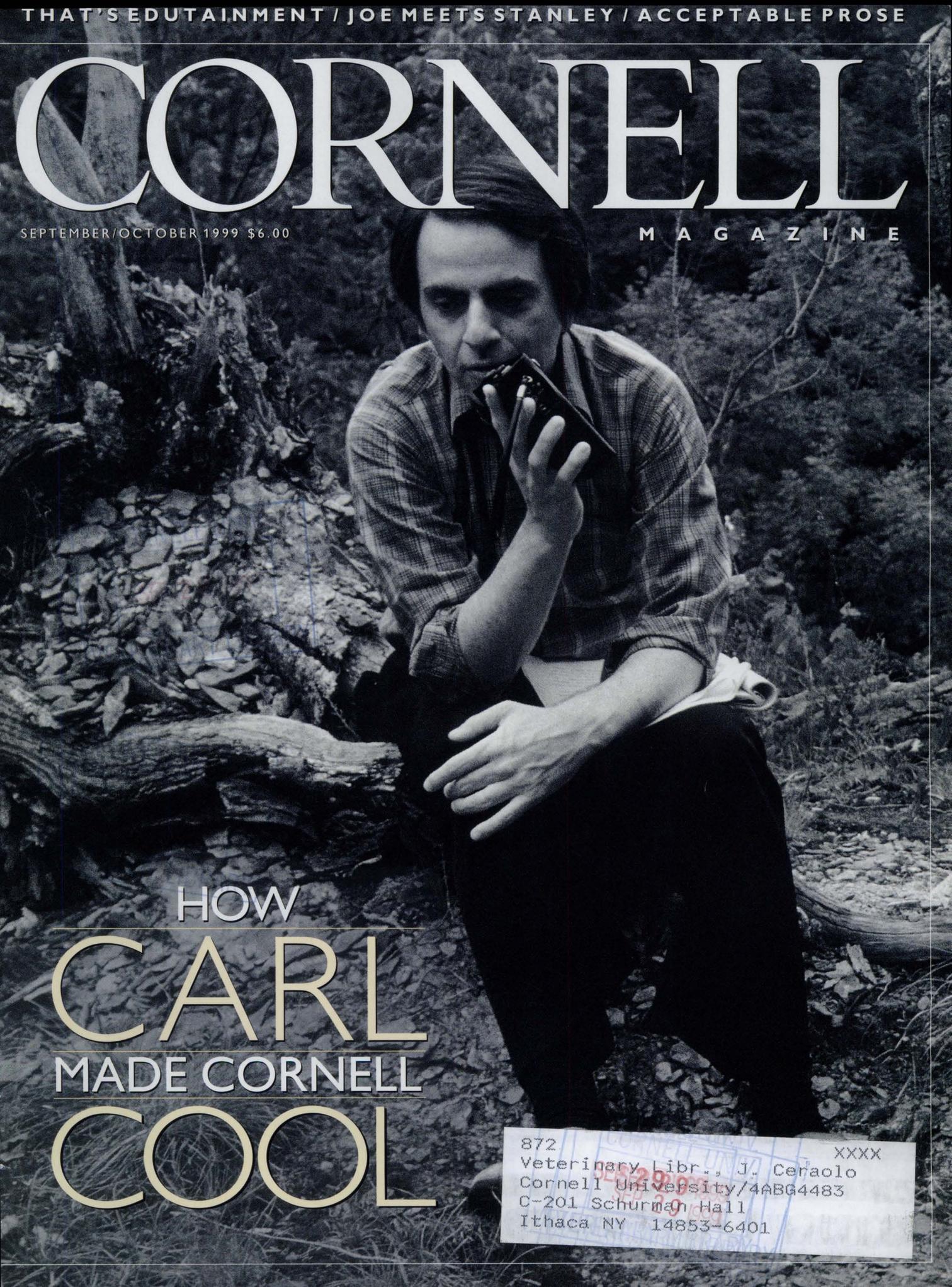


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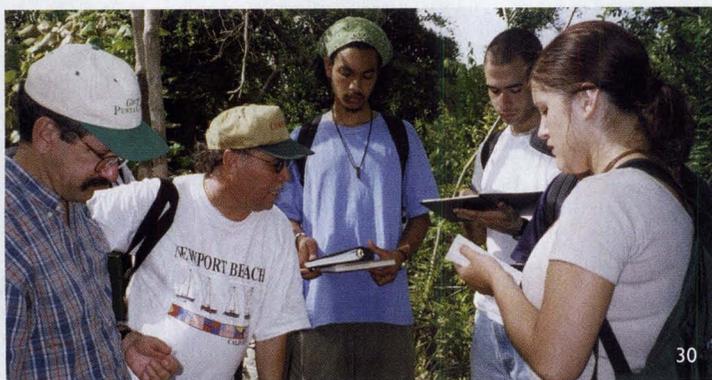
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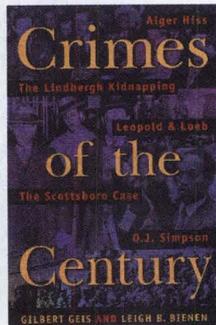
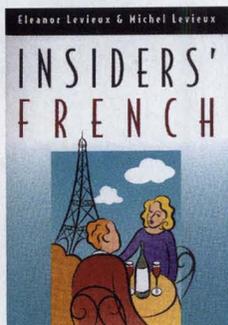
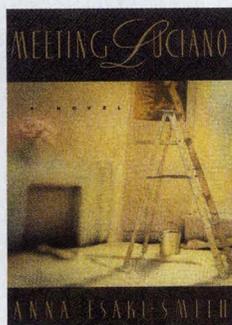
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In the princely realm of sporting awards, the Stanley Cup is the king of them all. It could stiff-arm college football's Heisman Trophy, drink the British Open's Claret Jug under the table, out-slug any prizefighter's World Championship Belt. It has been the hockey player's Holy Grail since 1892, when Frederick Arthur Lord Stanley

of Preston, governor general of Canada, purchased a silver bowl for ten guineas (\$48.67 at the time) to give to the best amateur hockey team in the land. The trophy passed into professional hands in 1910. Since then, it has moved from team to team with every National

Hockey League championship. It is the oldest championship trophy in professional North American sports.

Today's version, three feet tall and weighing thirty-four pounds, is insured for more than \$75,000 and is over four times its original size, thanks to the tra-

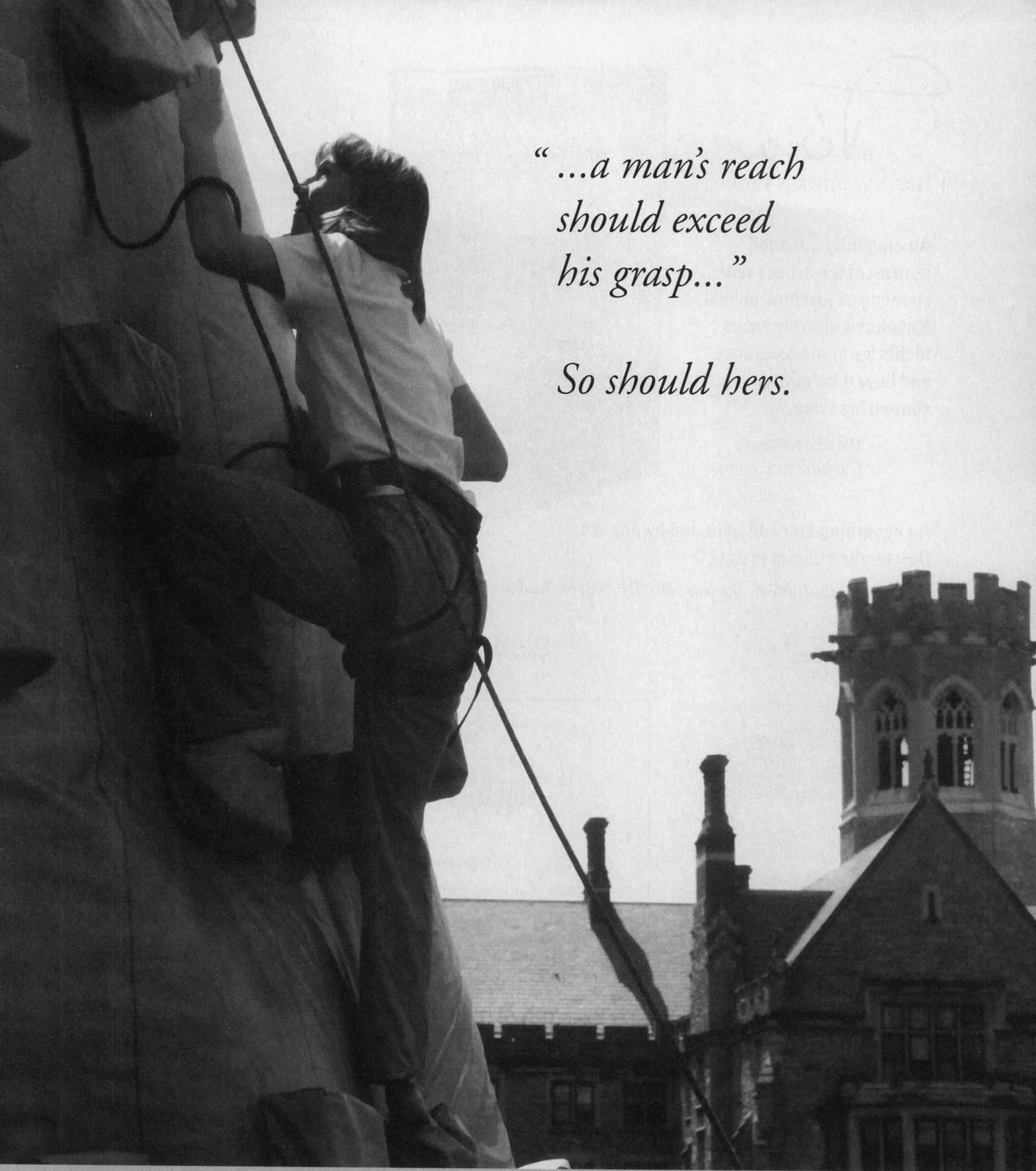
dition of engraving its base with the name of every player on every championship team. Over the years this has meant more than a few uncorrectable misspellings, like the Bqstqn Bruins, the Maple Leaes, and the name of Montreal Canadiens goalie Jacques Plante, who won five NHL titles and saw his name spelled five different ways.

Despite its regal history and its imposing stature, however, the Stanley Cup remains a symbol of blue-collar effort, loyalty to roots, and the common touch—quite literally. That's because it's at the center of one of professional sports' most unlikely traditions. The Cup spends autumn resting in its shrine in the Hockey Hall of Fame. From January to May, it goes on a tour, winding its way through North America. But summer is when it lets loose, when each member of the title-winning team is allowed to take the Cup wherever he wants for twenty-four hours.

Over the years, the trophy has been drop-kicked into Ottawa's Rideau Canal, used to plant geraniums and feed dogs, paraded down Main Street in tiny Canadian towns, even lain forgotten on the side of a road for hours. It has found its way to Yankee Stadium, race-tracks, golf courses, strip clubs, David Letterman's TV show, and Bob's Big Boy (for breakfast).

In 1992, after a limo carrying three Pittsburgh Penguins broke down, the trio began hitching rides with the Stanley Cup in tow. One stunned passerby offered to throw his girlfriend out of the car to make room. Indeed, the Cup may be viewed with awe-struck gazes one day and drunken grins the next. In 1998, three foreign members of the Detroit Red Wings carried the trophy to Russia for the first time, displaying it in Red Square. Later, other members of the team performed an experiment of sorts, discovering it takes seventeen cans of beer before the Cup runneth over.

In 1962, it was stolen from a glass case in Chicago Stadium by a distraught Canadiens fan. When a security guard asked where he was going with the Stanley Cup, the man told him, "I'm taking it back to Montreal, where it belongs." The NHL now provides a twenty-four-hour chaperone for the trophy's summer circuit, a so-called



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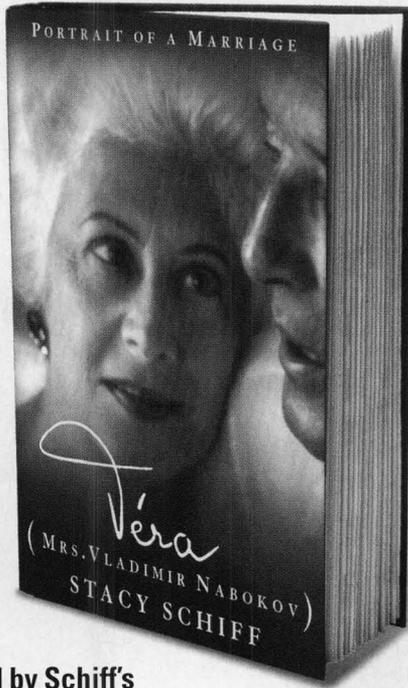
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Keeper of the Cup who guards it, polishes it, and rides in the back of limousines with it. (“You always respect the cup,” chaperone Walter Neubrand said during this summer’s tour. “You don’t disgrace it.”) Still, hockey players will be hockey players, and the Cup has been along for the ride. In fact, after the Dallas Stars won the NHL championship last June, one team member wrapped a life jacket around the trophy and took it tubing in northern Minnesota. Another Dallas player is rumored to have tossed it off a balcony into a swimming pool, causing a three-inch dent in the silver prize. Clearly it’s rather expected nowadays to bring Stanley to unexpected places.

On July 20, Joe Nieuwendyk ’88 (the Dallas Stars’ 6-foot-1 center and a four-time All-Star) got his twenty-four hours of trophy time. He’d earned it.

Playing on two reconstructed knees, Nieuwendyk scored twice against Edmonton in Game Four of the first playoff round, scored twice against St. Louis in Game Two of the second round, led his team with nine points against Colorado in the third round, and lifted Dallas to a six-game triumph over the Buffalo Sabres in the Stanley Cup Finals. After tying a league record with six game-winning goals in the playoffs, the former Rookie of the Year was named the playoffs’ Most Valuable Player, joining a list that includes Mario Lemieux, Wayne Gretzky, Bobby Orr—and a certain Ken Dryden ’69.

So what did Nieuwendyk do with hockey’s Holy Grail? He brought it to the Hill.

That’s right, after a Tullyburger or two at the Glenwood Pines, Lord Stanley’s Cup rode in Joe Nieuwendyk’s sport-utility vehicle to the Moakley House at the Robert Trent Jones Golf Course, where the former Big Red All-American had invited 300 guests—from head hockey coach and former teammate Mike Schafer ’86 to twelve-year-old Ithacans in Number 25 jerseys—to pose with the Cup, touch the Cup, even hold the Cup over their heads. “A good part of my roots are right here in Ithaca,” Nieuwendyk told the gathering. “Obviously, I’d like to share it with the whole town, but there’s just not enough time.”

—Brad Herzog ’90

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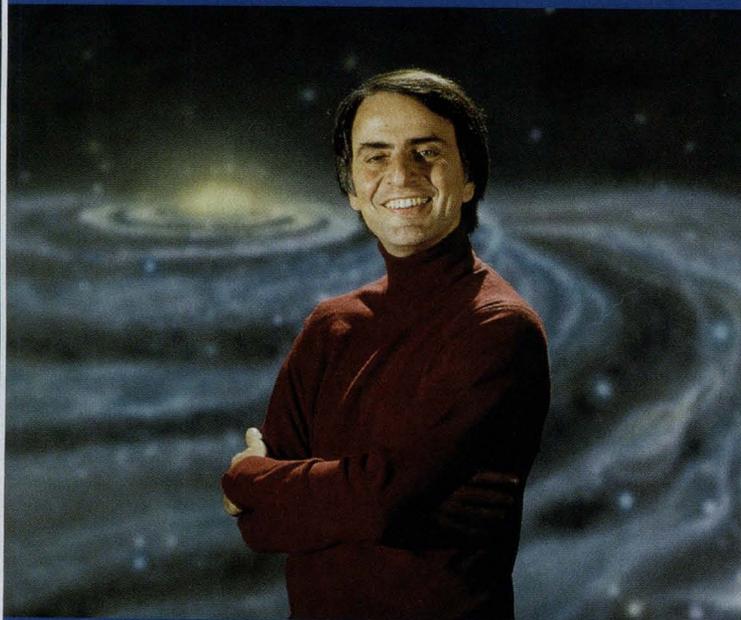
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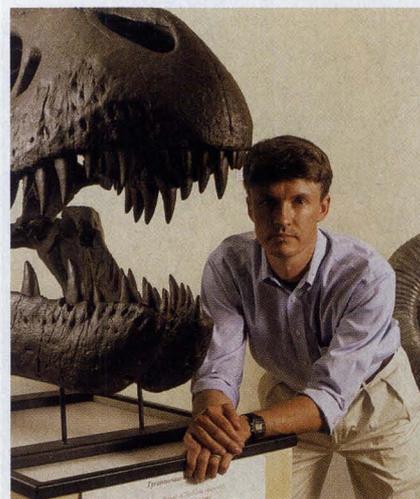
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WARREN ALLMON IS standing, hands on hips, grinning, pitying the somebodies who will face the task of sorting through ten thousand shelved boxes, Campbell's Soup cases, oversized mayonnaise jars, and soda pop flats. Some are marked "Devonian fish," some simply "Maryland" or "Venezuela." In all are fossils. "This is what we call our 'girdle collection,'" he says. Oh, yes; there are girdle boxes, too.

Allmon is director of the Paleontological Research Institution, an independent, three-million-specimen educational facility located far above Cayuga's waters—on Ithaca's West Hill. Although not formally connected to Cornell, the institution houses all of Cornell's non-botanical fossils and recent (dating from the last 10,000 years) mollusk collections, as



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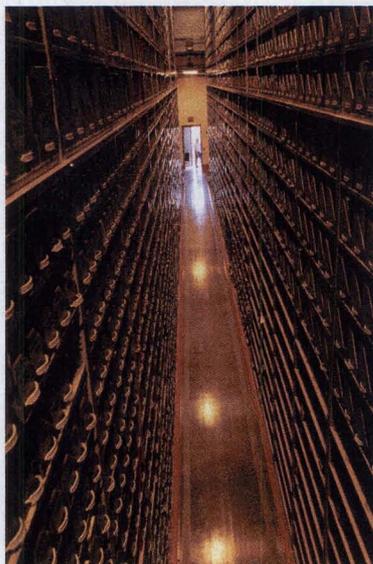
WARREN ALLMON, PALEO PACK RAT

well as more than 33,000 "types," the unique single specimens that are used to characterize a species.

Always awash with new fossils—the collection grows by 5 percent annually from discoveries and donations—PRI's basement is a monument to paleonto-

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TUCKED AWAY ON PALM ROAD NEAR THE APPLE ORCHARD, CORNELL'S NEWEST Library Annex addresses the rivaling challenges of the university's book collection growth (about 150,000 volumes, or 2.7 miles of shelving, each year) and a decision by trustees to



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Which books are marked for exile? Those in subjects without a strong foothold in Cornell's curriculum—anything in the Asian language Telagu, for example. "It's by no means sweeping, like half of the materials in French are being sent. That would be ridiculous," says operations

manager Patricia Shafer. Staff will transfer 2,000 volumes from campus each workday until May, using a forklift to fill 10,000 square feet of thirty-two-foot shelving in book-friendly conditions of 60 degrees Fahrenheit and 35 percent relative humidity. Growth estimates suggest that another warehouse module will be needed by 2005.

—Abby Bechtel '97

logical pack-ratting. A mix of volunteers, students, and several dozen scientific researchers per year curate the fossils, though current estimates say it will take nearly two decades of person-time to organize what is already the seventh-largest collection in the nation.

Considered one of the world's premier research facilities for paleontology, PRI was founded in 1932 by mythically misanthropic Cornell geology professor Gilbert Dennison Harris 1886 (he communicated to the rest of his department only by formal letter and spoke off to the side while lecturing undergraduates). Always fearing for the safety of his life's work in McGraw Hall, a wood-lined structure he believed to be an inferno-in-waiting, Harris spent years during the early part of the century unsuccessfully lobbying the administration to build a fireproof storage facility. Unwilling to sell his collection to the university (he thought it would be neglected), he constructed his own storage space, a two-story cinder block building furnished only with metal tables and chairs. That crude structure served as the home of PRI for more than thirty years until it relocated to a Tudor-style former orphanage on the road to Trumansburg.

Despite the more spacious facility, fossils continued to pile up haphazardly in cardboard boxes and mason jars. The disorganization didn't help PRI's reputation. "In the Seventies and Eighties, paleontology and the geological sciences were going through a big revolution with plate tectonics and other kinds of trendy theories," says Cornell geology lecturer John Chiment. "People were digging into museum collections saying, 'How can we answer these questions?'—questions that had never been asked. PRI really wasn't set up to do that."

Already aware that PRI was being hurt by its out-of-the-way location ("It's not like people go to Ithaca on their way to somewhere else," says Chiment), the board decided it was time either to modernize or shut down. Fund-raisers and new staff were hired. Allmon was recruited and asked to raise the institution's profile and mend bridges with Cornell, where he now teaches as an adjunct professor in the geology and biology

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departments. In 1994, the National Science Foundation stepped forward with the first in a series of grants to help update the facility with new equipment and state-of-the-art storage. "It's become a top-notch curation facility," says Cornell grad student Greg Graffin, whose research delves into the earliest known bones. "And that is one of the most important things a paleontologist can have—a place where their work will be stored and be used as a resource by other scientists."

Most of the PRI collection centers on invertebrates, microfossils, and Harris's passion: Cenozoic mollusks, the ancestors of modern day snails, clams, and squid. There are few dinosaur, mammal, or avian bones—partly because the original collection came from the university, which had no vertebrate paleontologist, but mostly because Harris took with him only those fossils that directly interested him. The rest kicked around from building to building for the rest of the century. Only recently has the remainder of the collection surfaced and been found to be rich in trilobites and brachiopods, oyster-like shelled creatures.

Despite a lack of name-brand dinosaurs, PRI still manages to display a handful of museum staples in its small public space: casts of tyrannosaurus and saber tooth tiger skulls, a mastodon tusk and teeth, woolly mammoth hair, and the imprint of the world's largest sea scorpion. But the facility's real value, says Chiment, isn't necessarily the specimens in its collection, but the paleontologists who work there. "It's useful to have other people to sit down with and talk to, rather than having to e-mail and read publications. No university is going to have more than a small handful of paleontologists [Cornell has four], and having another component of paleontologists over there at PRI makes this a much richer environment."

The institution has plans in the works to construct the Museum of the Earth, a semi-subterranean exhibit space that will serve as a science education center. Ultimately, Allmon would like to see PRI become more of a teaching tool, to be used for field trips and as a reference for assignments. Harris may not have approved.

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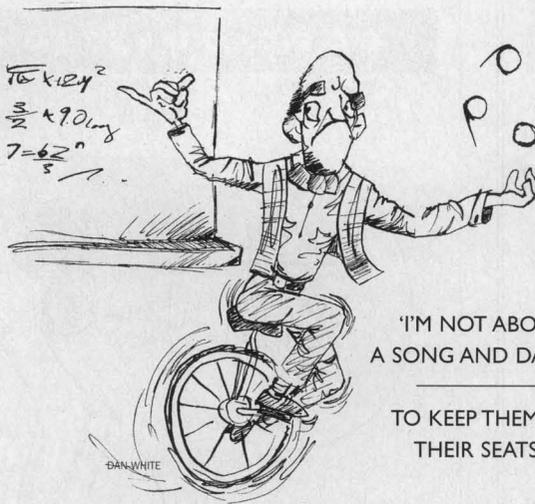
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"Public education didn't interest him," says Allmon. "He founded it for the cognoscenti who just wanted to study their shells."

— Sam Goldberg '99

THAT'S EDUTAINMENT

EVERY SEMESTER, AS REQUIRED by the university, I distribute and collect evaluations of my course in American studies, taking class time to make sure most of the 150 students fill out the forms. Since I already have tenure, the evaluations are essentially for my edification. After I read them, they will be filed away and forgotten. This semester the evaluations were favorable, and often flattering: "One of the best, no, the best lecturer I have had in four years here," wrote one perceptive student. The lectures "were captivating and lively," wrote another, adding that "the professor was very cute." After I have



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finished reading these reviews, why on earth would I feel depressed?

One reason is that, even after twenty years of teaching, three "arrogants," two "inaccessibles," and a "wise guy" still smart. But beyond the bruises to my weak ego, the evaluations, taken as a whole, reveal much about the intellectual curiosity and capacity for work this generation of undergraduates possesses.

Simply put, they attest to the pervasiveness, in colleges and universities, of the same culture, obsessed as it is with entertainment and celebrities, that dominates the rest of American society.

With few exceptions, my students seem to have understood the most sophisticated concepts presented in the lectures. Although one person complained about "too much analyzation of events," the rest of the class discussed perceptively such concepts as the "commercialization of leisure" and culture as "contested terrain" among social and economic classes and racial and ethnic groups. These young men and women are very bright indeed.

Intelligence, however, was not always matched by willingness to work. Students complained, often bitterly,

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about the amount of reading assigned in the course (150 to 200 pages a week). "It was demanding and took a lot of time," wrote one undergraduate in a sentiment echoed by many. Others were more specific. The load was "a good 7-8 hours, often more, of reading a week." "Very demanding and difficult," added another, "at least 5 hours a week outside of class many weeks." I wonder how many students shared this thought: "Well, if you actually did all of the reading, I'd say it was pretty demanding, but I managed to get away with reading about half of each book most of the time."

In the age of infotainment, students' capacity to read has clearly atrophied. "Books" was the one-word response to a question on what detracted most from the course. Many students were "bored" by the readings, a mix of novels and nonfiction that were best sellers in their eras, finding almost every book longer than 300 pages "repetitive." Not at all atypical, I suspect, is the student who asked, "Couldn't we have read a 10- or 20-page excerpt from some of them?"

Professors initially respond to these sentiments by reducing the amount of reading they assign. When students continue to complain, some begin to write them off. After all, eight hours of work a week for a course was not a heavy load when we were undergraduates. Last year, a colleague suggested a

new question for the evaluation form: "What book in this course did you like least and to what defect in your character and/or training do you attribute this choice?"

Although students engage in the culture of complaint with respect to the workload, they give their instructors high marks, much higher than their counterparts did ten and twenty years ago. The grade inflation for undergraduates that has swept colleges and universities (the average grade at Cornell approaches a B+) has now reached student evaluations: it is rare for a professor to be designated "fair" or "poor" or to receive a numerical assessment much below four (out of five). Why? Students in the 1990s tend to defer to faculty expertise. They may disagree with, or even dislike, the professor, but they almost always seem to assume that the information is up-to-date, accurate, and adequate. The phrase that appears most frequently on my evaluations, and those of my colleagues, is "knows his stuff." Most of us do, of course, but when students become passive, reluctant to challenge or ask questions, and unwilling to discriminate among their professors, we ought to worry.

Perhaps the most disturbing revelation of student evaluations, however, is the extent to which every class has become a show and every instructor a personality. The liveliness of the lec-

tures, the use of videos, and the professors' ability to draw frequent laughs count more than content. "The professor knows how to teach in an entertaining way (almost like TV)," concluded one admiring student. "The lectures were informative and, most importantly, entertaining," wrote another. I think the students who suggested a laser light show and a warm-up dance before the lesson were kidding, but these days one can never be sure.

At times, evaluations appear to be the academic analogue to "Rate the Record" on Dick Clark's old "American Bandstand," in which teenagers said of every new release, "Good beat, great to dance to, I'd give it a 9." Students are becoming more adjectival than analytical, more inclined to take faculty members' wardrobes and hairstyles into account when sizing them up as educators. Many teachers share or give in to the attitudes and behavior I have attributed to students. The evaluation form used by the

American studies program at Cornell, for example, asks, "How do you feel about your professor?"—not "What do you think of his/her ideas, organization, and methods of presentation?" And, let me confess, I make comments in class about my Gucci ties and diminutive height, and I continue to give my eleven-word impersonation of Franklin D. Roosevelt ("Yesterday, December 7, 1941, a date which will live in infamy"), even though I'm irked that students remember it more than my analysis of the achievements and limitations of the New Deal. I like the applause and the large enrollments, and I'm not above a song and dance to keep 'em in their seats.

Too many students now choose the pleasurable over the valuable. People who exercise vigorously or learn to play a musical instrument, Cornell economics professor Robert Frank observed in his most recent book, *Luxury Fever*, experience discomfort, and even

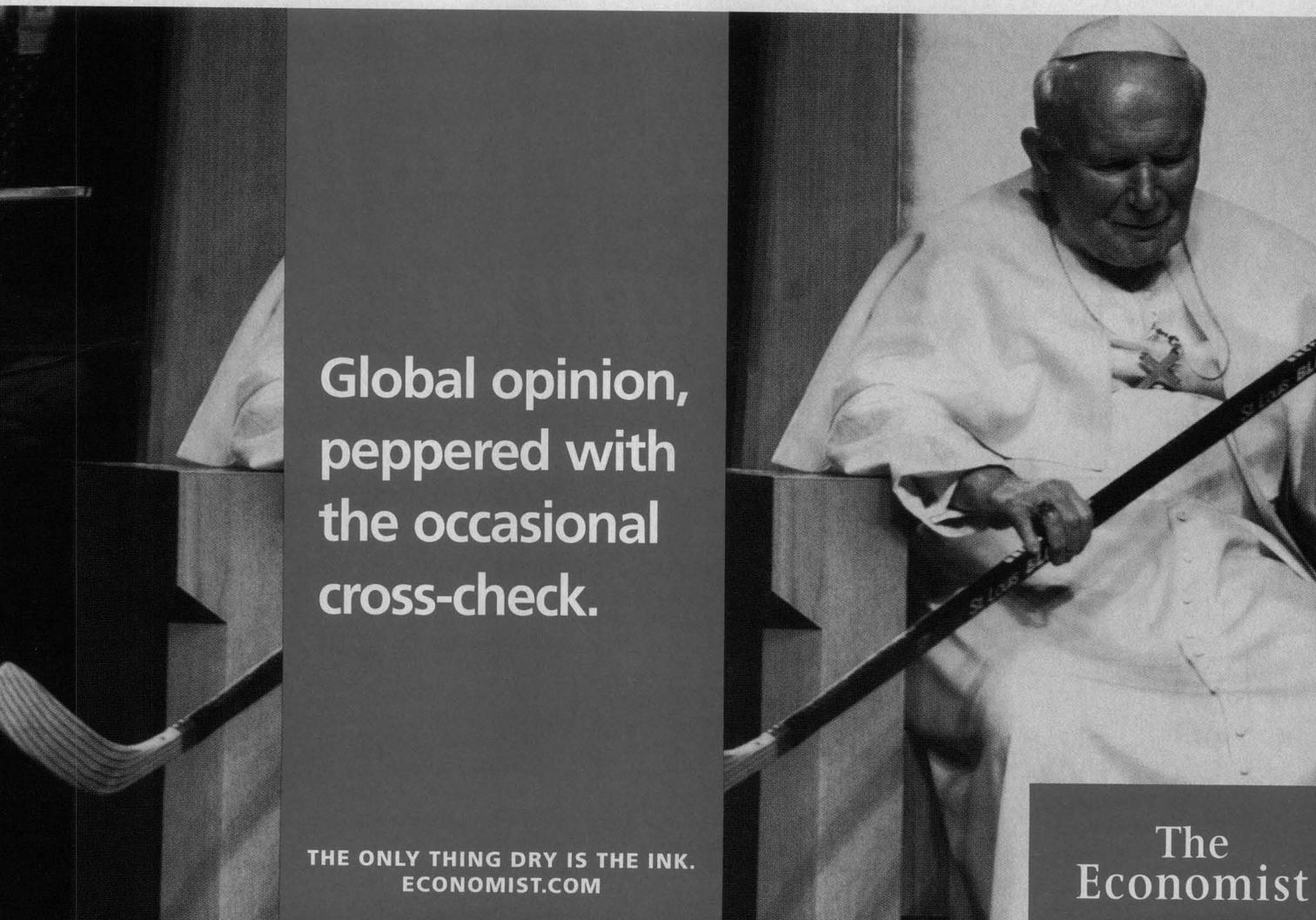
pain, at first. But if they stick with it, enduring satisfaction, to the point of enjoyment, can ensue. Will students and other smart people learn to exchange the satisfaction of the short run for more hard-won pleasures? If not, what will I do for an encore when more undergraduates conclude, as one already has, "I thought he would be funnier than he was"?

— Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76

REAL TROUBLE

SU CHING'S SHOPPING SPREES at the Pyramid Mall in Lansing are over. Meals are something she does at home, not in Collegetown. She's taken a loan from a United Nations agency and works two jobs. Still, she knows it could be worse: without the money, she could wind up like some of her friends. She could have to drop out of Cornell.

Ching, a senior economics major,



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ran into trouble when the Asian fiscal crisis hit home in Malaysia during her sophomore year. When the ringgit collapsed, everything here suddenly cost twice as much—and she was forced to adopt an austerity plan of her own. “I’ve learned to be more prudent with my money. It’s the little things that add up,” she says, such as the \$5 lunches here that are the equivalent of a good dinner in her homeland.

It may be a global economy, but Cornell’s tuition bills are payable in U.S. dollars only. And as the currency charts start looking like mountain ranges (from Asia two years ago to Brazil last fall to who-knows-where next), Cornell’s burgeoning international population is forced to confront fiscal matters more than ever—and the university has to figure out ways to keep them on campus while the pot of financial assistance remains small. “Resources here are very limited,” says Gang Wang, associate director of the International Students and Scholars office. “These days, we use the Internet a lot to find what assistance is available nationwide.”

Before the problems started, Wang’s office only dealt with “very sporadic” situations. Now, it finds itself playing traffic cop, directing students toward help in coping with their aching economies. Whether it’s securing commercial loans or locating jobs for students in danger of leaving school until their economies recover, Wang’s office has had to go far beyond duties that mostly involved immigration assistance in the past. “This has only happened since the Asian crisis,” he says.

These kinds of fiscal headaches start for many reasons, but mean only one thing in the end: it costs a lot more to buy dollars than it did before the trouble started. Consider Fabiana Oliver and her husband, Marcelo, Brazilians who started graduate school at Cornell (she in business, he in engineering) in the fall of 1998, paying 1.2 reals for every dollar. That meant that a \$20,000 tuition bill translated to 24,000 reals. At the peak of their country’s crisis, shortly after they arrived, they would have had to cough up 60,000 reals for that same education.

“I was going almost crazy,” Fabiana said recently, the problem now just a

bad memory. The Olivers endured a nearly three-fold devaluation in their country's currency, and came close to the end of their financial rope. But luckily, they'd done what seems key to successfully dealing with these shocks—they'd planned ahead. They had brought many of their reals to the United States and invested them in American accounts. They had salted away enough to cover both their Cornell educations, including rent and books. Now, the real trades at 1.7 to the dollar, and the crisis has subsided. Ching, whose father was in a financial services company before jumping ship ahead of the crisis, was also better prepared than some to weather the storm. Her father converted ringgits and stashed them in a Swiss account, avoiding the huge drop in value.

To cope, Wang can tell students where to go for help, but has little of his own to give. The university provides financial aid to only 2.5 percent of its 4,000 international students and scholars (post-doctoral researchers). The rest are expected to deal with finances on

their own. Of course, not every family has the means to absorb a 100 percent tuition hike; this means that Wang has gotten outside help for a dozen people. Ching, for one, landed an interest-free loan through the U.N.'s Institute for International Education after Wang pointed her to it.

Tom Keane, Cornell's financial aid director, reports few students coming to his door for help these days. As a result, he said, his department isn't concentrating much on foreign financial problems. After all, with so few international students given aid to begin with, they're presumably affluent enough to handle the ups-and-downs of a sour market. That presumption, though, may embarrass those looking for help. The

collapses transformed many of these students from the elite to the troubled, often overnight. "To kids I did meet with, this was really traumatic," said Yale's dean of admissions and financial aid Richard Shaw. Yale didn't handle the troubles much differently than Cornell—though nearly 20 percent of their international population receives aid.

Not all who want help at Cornell get it, which caused some worry among students when Asia was roiling. Ching would have liked a little more flexibility in paying back her bills, rather than just the short payment plan she was offered; others told the *Cornell Daily Sun* that they were downright upset with the school. "I was really disappointed with Cornell's policy. Before the university is a financial institution, its major concern should be education," Sung-Ho Lee '99 told the student paper. "[Cornell] could have given me more leniency in terms of postponing payments or by providing a loan."

Part of the trouble is that some outside organizations require that universi-

ties match the loans or grants they offer. For the most part, Cornell doesn't—although any student job income can be counted as a match. But finding work often isn't easy. Federal work-study recipients, U.S. citizens, get first crack at jobs. "In Ithaca, it's pretty hard to find a decent-paying job," Wang says. "Too much talent."

Students in real trouble can receive emergency loans from Cornell, or are given permission to pay back their bills over the school year instead of all at once. Peter Olcott, the university's bursar, helps 600 students a year, mostly American, through their personal financial crises, working with the admissions, financial aid, and International Students and Scholars



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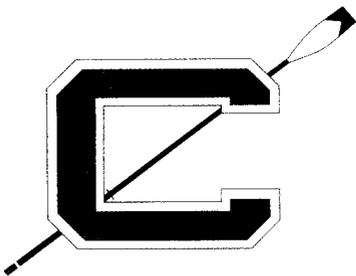
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Some just hatch their own solutions. Dax Ramadani, an engineering student from Indonesia, is cramming his education into three years instead of four to pay less. And Ching has put some of her own dreams on hold because of a tight budget. She'd considered going to graduate school to get her economics doctorate and become a professor, she says, "but that's out of the question, unless I work for a few years and go back to school."

Even Cornell students who weather the storm here can face problems once they return home. Fabiana Oliver says her hopes of landing summer internships in Latin America are pretty much squashed. "Banks are not really interested in hiring anybody," she says. For Su Ching, home "is kind of bleak and sad." Jobs are scarce and even as the crisis abates, investors haven't returned to get things off the ground. "Hopefully, I'll find a job here," she says, heading off to one of the two she already has.

— Kenneth Aaron

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The voice belongs to Les Kaye, a man in his sixties with a kind face and a head not far from clean-shaven. Kaye arrived in Silicon Valley even before Silicon Valley truly arrived. He is a thirty-two-year veteran of the technology wars, a former design engineer, salesman, and department manager at IBM. He is Silicon-to-the-bone. He is also a Zen priest, a Buddhist missionary of sorts, and Silicon Valley is his mission. Kaye discovered Zen Buddhism a decade after he immersed himself in the world of IBM, and on the surface the two cultures appeared so inherently opposite that their integration seemed impossible. But it took a spiritual journey for Kaye to stay put.

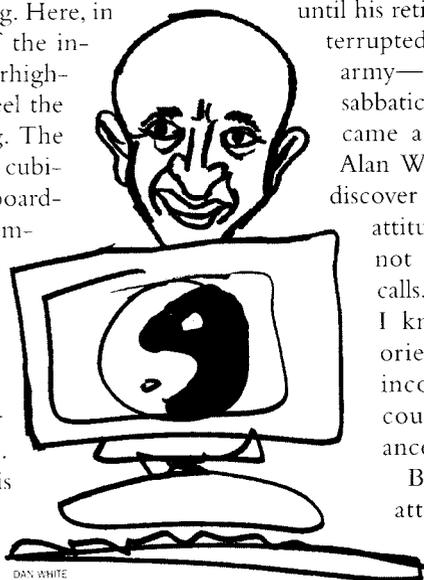
He went to work for IBM in 1956, just a few weeks after graduating from Cornell with an engineering degree. It was the company's heyday, and Kaye joined a team of engineers and technicians who were busy assembling and testing RAMAC, a revolutionary magnetic disk storage product that was the forerunner of the hard disks and floppies used in today's personal computers. He would remain with the company until his retirement in 1990, a stint interrupted only by two years in the

army—and a couple of monastic sabbaticals. It was in 1961 that he came across *The Way of Zen* by Alan Watts. "I was fascinated to discover a dimension of living, an

attitude about life, that I had not known before," Kaye recalls. "When I closed the book, I knew that my technically oriented, mainstream life was incomplete, that it alone could not provide the balance I was seeking."

By 1966, Kaye had begun attending meditation practice at a Zen center in Los Altos, which is now his hometown. Within five years, he

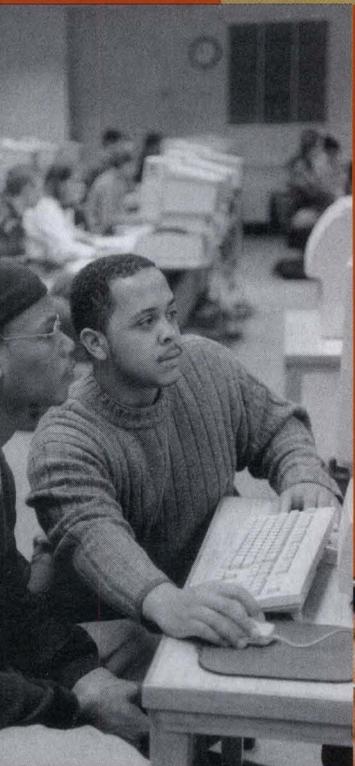
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DAY WHITE

A LIFE 'TECHNICALLY' OUT OF
BALANCE BEFORE KAYE FOUND ZEN

Scholarships A Personal Look



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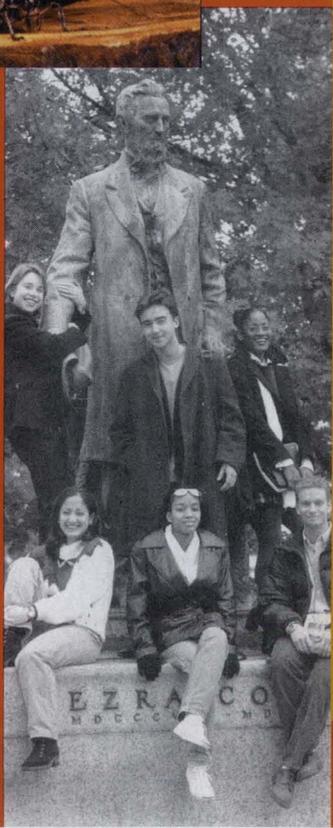
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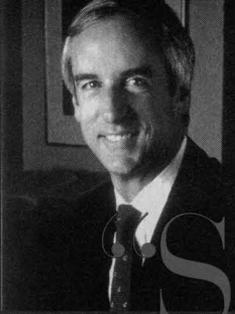
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SPURRED BY AVAILABILITY OF MATCHING FUNDS FOR PLANNED GIFTS, MORE THAN 76 ALUMNI AND FRIENDS PARTICIPATE IN THE CAMPAIGN THROUGH AN ESTATE GIFT. MORE THAN \$35 MILLION HAS BEEN COMMITTED THROUGH BEQUESTS, TRUSTS, AND OTHER PLANNED GIVING OPTIONS.



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LUCENT TECHNOLOGIES, INC. DOUBLES ITS COMMITMENT BY ESTABLISHING A SECOND SCHOLARSHIP. LUCENT WAS THE FIRST CORPORATION TO ESTABLISH AN ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP AS PART OF THE SCHOLARSHIP CAMPAIGN.

JUNE

SEVEN YOUNG ALUMNI STEP FORWARD TO CREATE SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENTS.



FEBRUARY

MORE THAN 25 CORNELL CLASSES, CLUBS, AND ALUMNI ASSOCIATIONS HAVE MADE COMMITMENTS TO THE SCHOLARSHIP CHALLENGE CAMPAIGN.



MAY

THE CLASS OF '99, AIDED BY TWO ADDITIONAL CHALLENGES, INCLUDING ONE FROM SCHOLARSHIP CAMPAIGN CO-CHAIR RONAY MENSCHEL '64, CREATES THE LARGEST SENIOR CLASS SCHOLARSHIP IN CORNELL'S HISTORY WITH A GIFT OF NEARLY \$95,000.

JULY

GIFTS AND COMMITMENTS HAVE REACHED \$125 MILLION FROM 425 ALUMNI, FRIENDS, PARENTS, CORPORATIONS, AND FOUNDATIONS.

MARCH

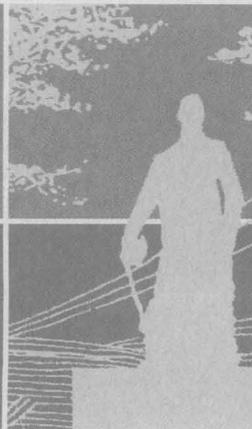
BOLSTERED BY GIFTS AT ALL LEVELS—FROM \$37,500 TO \$1 MILLION OR MORE—THE CAMPAIGN TOTAL REACHES \$93.6 MILLION FROM 312 DONORS.

MAY

CORNELL RECEIVES THE LARGEST SCHOLARSHIP GIFT IN ITS HISTORY, WITH A \$14.2 MILLION COMMITMENT FROM AN ANONYMOUS DONOR.

DECEMBER

LAST OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE A COMMITMENT TO THE SCHOLARSHIP CHALLENGE CAMPAIGN AND RECEIVE GENEROUS MATCHING FUNDS. ALL COMMITMENTS ARE PAYABLE OVER A PERIOD OF FIVE YEARS. *DON'T MISS OUT!*



"I WOULD FOUND AN INSTITUTION WHERE ANY PERSON CAN FIND INSTRUCTION IN ANY STUDY." —EZRA CORNELL, 1865



Named Anna B. Comstock Scholarship

An endowment of \$250,000 (\$187,500) or more provides

extensive scholarship support to one student each year. Anna B. Comstock Scholarships honor Cornell's first woman professor (1898).

Named Emma S. Eastman Scholarship

An endowment gift of \$100,000 (\$75,000) or more supports one student each year. Emma S. Eastman Scholars recognize Cornell's first woman graduate, who earned her degree in 1873.

Named Scholarship Fund *(May be designated to students in a particular college or school.)*

A minimum endowment of \$50,000 (\$37,500) establishes a named scholarship fund. Pooled income supports needy students. Young alumni may establish a fund with a gift of \$25,000 (\$18,750).

Endowed Undergraduate Scholarships

An endowed scholarship or fellowship becomes a permanent tribute to the person whose name it bears, and it can always be augmented. Donors may direct the award to a student enrolled in a specific college, major, or from a particular geographic region. (Minimum gift levels that qualify for challenge funds are identified in parentheses and can be paid over five years.)

Named Ezra Cornell Scholarship

An endowment of \$1 million (\$750,000) or more supports up to four students at once—one student per class each year.

Named Andrew Dickson White Scholarship

An endowment gift of \$500,000 (\$375,000) or more provides significant scholarship support for two students each year.

The Cornell Commitment

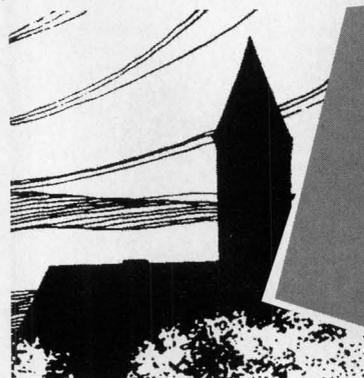
The Cornell Commitment consists of three recognition programs—the Cornell Tradition, the Cornell Presidential Research Scholars, and the Meinig National Scholars—which offer students a chance to earn money, gain valuable experience, and lessen their debt burden. Students who demonstrate leadership and a strong commitment to work, community service, and research are selected from a national pool of Cornell applicants. (Minimum gift levels that qualify for challenge funds are identified in parentheses and can be paid over five years.)

Named Cornell Presidential Research Scholarship

An endowment gift of \$500,000 (\$375,000) per scholar provides a four-year experience emphasizing undergraduate research and connections with faculty members. A Presidential Research Scholarship also provides critical support for the research component of the program, including annual colloquia, an independent research project, a student-research symposium, and paid work in research.

Named Cornell Tradition Fellowship and Scholarship

An endowment gift of \$500,000 (\$375,000) or more creates a named Cornell Tradition Fellowship and Scholarship that recognizes and rewards students who work to pay for their education and who are involved in community service. Recipients receive up to \$3,500 in a loan-reducing award and a generous scholarship grant.



Named Cornell Tradition Fellowship

An endowment gift of \$125,000 (\$93,750) or more establishes a named Cornell Tradition Fellowship to recognize students who have demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to work and service. The program requires fellows to combine meaningful community service and useful work experience with their studies and awards them up to \$3,500. Young alumni may establish a named Cornell Tradition Fellowship with a gift of \$50,000 (\$37,500).

Planned gifts—including bequests, life income agreements, and charitable trusts—also qualify for the Scholarship Challenge Campaign.

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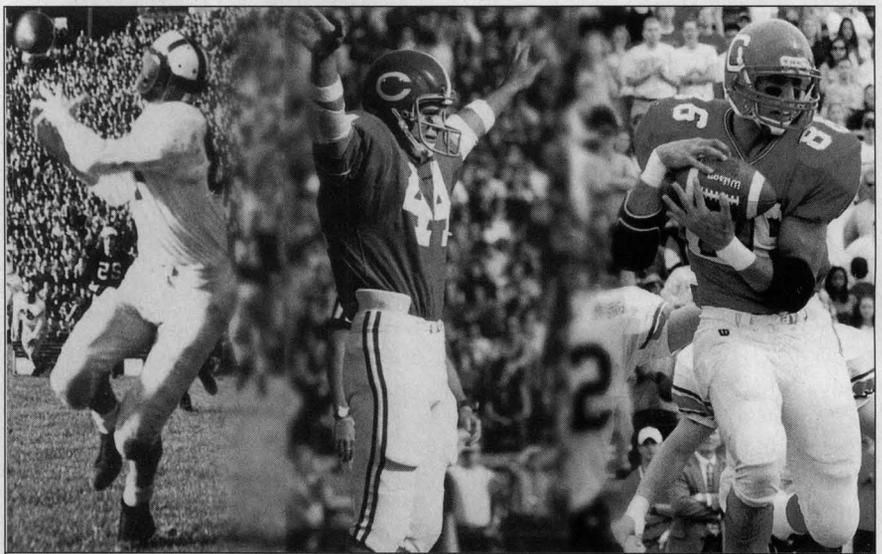
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was a Zen monk. Within seven, he was a head monk, or *shuso*. In 1979, he helped found a nonresidential Zen center in Mountain View, a Silicon Valley hub. He called it Kannon Do, which means Place of Compassion. For more than a decade he has been the center's abbot—its teacher and spiritual leader. "Don't try to cut off thoughts. Be gentle with them. When you notice a thought distracting you, let it slowly fade away," Kaye tells the dozen NEC employees after their half-hour of meditation has concluded. "When you've been doing some task, have you ever had the thought: 'I should be doing something else'? How do you feel?"

"Hurried," replies one employee. "Guilty," answers another. "Disturbed," says a third. Kaye smiles. "That's what we call multi-tasking."

Kaye understood from the beginning that the cultures of microchips and meditation appear to be polar opposites. One emphasizes the future, the other timelessness. One attempts to alter circumstances, the other to relate to them. One is driven by competition, the other by interdependence. But Kaye noticed that Zen and IBM encouraged many of the same qualities: integrity, self-discipline, attention to detail, a capacity for work. As he gradually became a Zen teacher, he also saw an opportunity to use Buddhism's ability to adapt to the beliefs and cultures it encounters. In Silicon Valley, he thinks he's found the right forum. "Silicon Valley is a unique kind of place," says Kaye. "There's a lot of stress, but there's also a lot of creativity and a willingness to try new ideas. That's part of the culture here. So they're not really polar opposites. Only in appearance."

In 1996, Kaye published *Zen at Work* (Three Rivers Press), explaining how he'd learned to incorporate his spiritual life into his workaday existence. He wrote, for instance, about how even our most mundane activities express life's inherent spirituality. He emphasized letting go of boundaries and self-oriented ideas: "Only when we do not try to obtain it can we have peace of mind." He discussed how Zen practice encourages



1999 CORNELL FOOTBALL CELEBRATING A CENTURY OF TRADITION

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Sat., Sept. 18	at Princeton	1:00 PM
Sat., Sept. 25	Fordham	1:00 PM
<small>(Employee Day/Corporate Day at the Gridiron/Honoring 1939 Football Team)</small>		
Sat., Oct. 2	at Brown	1:00 PM
Sat., Oct. 9	Harvard	1:00 PM
<small>(Band Day/Captain's Day/Trustee Council Weekend)</small>		
Sat., Oct. 16	at Colgate	12:00 PM
<small>(Televised on Empire Sports Network)</small>		
Sat., Oct. 23	at Dartmouth	12:00 PM
Sat., Oct. 30	Wagner	1:00 PM
<small>(Take a Kid to the Game)</small>		
Sat., Nov. 6	Yale	1:00 PM
<small>(Homecoming/Hall of Fame Weekend)</small>		
Sat., Nov. 13	Columbia	1:00 PM
<small>(MilleniumDay)</small>		
Sat., Nov. 20	at Penn	12:30 PM

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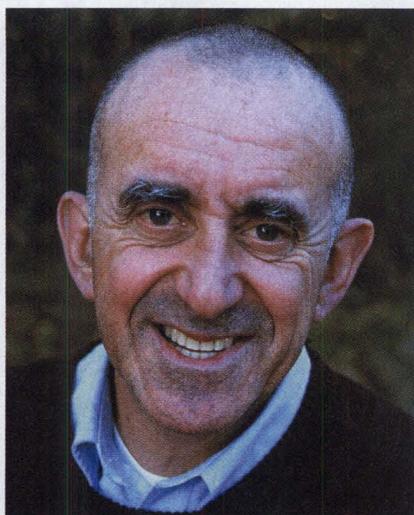
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us to “free ourselves from the competition of personalities.”

Most important, he provided examples of how his Zen training smoothed out hard-edged relationships in the workplace and improved his reactions to stressful situations. “My new understanding of the meaning of success resulted in a change of priorities,” he wrote. “Working ceased to be a means to an end, for gaining recognition and a more comfortable life as quickly as possible. Success was now feeling satisfaction in the ongoing process of the activity itself.”

After receiving feedback from people all over the country, Kaye came to the realization that there are many others like him—either Zen adherents who are trying to express spiritual practice within the framework of careers and families, or simply people who could benefit from a daily dose of Zen. So he developed a program he calls Meditation at Work, which he has conducted everywhere from Ap-



FREEDOM FROM ‘THE COMPETITION
OF PERSONALITIES’: LES KAYE ’56

ple and IBM to Netscape and Nortel.

Companies sign up for ten one-hour sessions and invite employees to attend. The workshops consist of a half-hour of meditation followed by a half-hour of group discussion on topics

ranging from “the principles of awareness” to “the relationships of habits to work.” Kaye has to tread carefully. He doesn’t want to cheapen Zen by over-modernizing it, yet at the same time he doesn’t want to put off companies that are reluctant to support specific spirituality. “I don’t want to take this very ancient, very spiritual practice and subvert it to something convenient to the American marketplace. What I’ve done, I believe, is set aside the ceremonial aspects and even any discussion of spirituality. I’ve just focused on the practical benefit and expression of meditation,” says Kaye. “Some people do it and call it Zen. Others do it and don’t call it anything.”

The hour is over, and the NEC employees prepare to return to work. Kaye smiles and offers a gentle reminder. “Remember, you can do this anywhere, anytime,” he says. “You can sit in your office or your cubicle and watch your breath. Then, when you return to the task at hand, you’ll be refreshed.”

— Brad Herzog ’90

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CORNELL YOUNG ALUMNI PROGRAM

"Cornell students dream bigger dreams. I think that is a marvelous description of what Cornell has offered: bigger dreams with the knowledge to support them, the conviction to sustain them, and the love to realize them."

—FRANK H. T. RHODES

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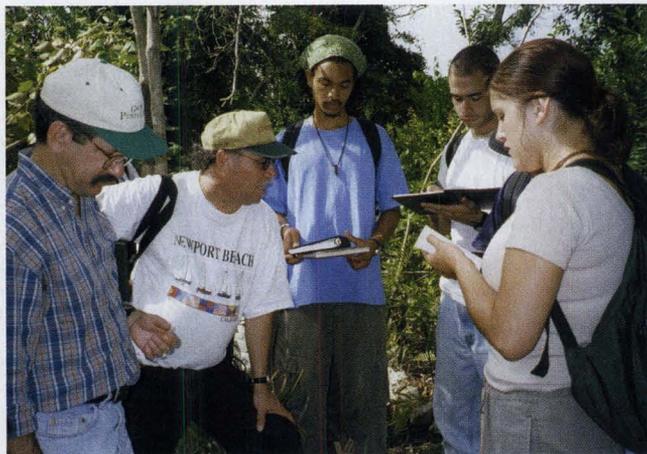
BIODIVERSITY PRESERVE BREAKS GROUND

IN JUNE, THE UNIVERSITY broke ground on a new biodiversity laboratory in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic. The ten-acre facility, which will also serve as a distance-learning center for scholars in the Caribbean, is expected to be completed in January. The preserve joins far-flung Cornell outposts like the Arecibo Observatory in Puerto Rico and the Shoals Marine Lab off the New England coast. It will be located in a region with rich natural resources; Hispaniola, which the Dominican Republic shares with Haiti, is home to 600 kinds of ferns, more than 200 bird species, and some 285 types of butterflies.

CYBER-STRIKERS

C.U. ROBOTS WIN

THE AIRLINE LOST some of their equipment, they'd never competed in the tournament before, and they were pitted against the top-seeded squad in the first round. But when the third annual Robot World Cup Initiative was over, Cornell had taken

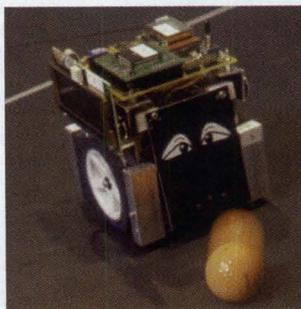


FIELD WORK: ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES PROFESSOR ELROY RODRIGUEZ LEADS A CLASS AT PUNTA CANA

home the trophy. The competition, nicknamed the RoboCup, pits teams of five autonomous robots against each other for a twenty-minute soccer game played on a pitch the size of a Ping-Pong table. The four-pound, six-inch-high robots are controlled by a mother computer, which monitors their movements through a video camera mounted overhead. Once play begins, no human interference is allowed.

A total of nine man-years of work went into the Big Red entry, designed by two dozen grad students and

undergrads in mechanical engineering, computer science, and electrical engineering during a year-long course taught by professor



HOT WHEELS: WORLD CHAMPION TEAMMATE

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These Cornellians in the News

Michael Huyghue '84, a senior vice president of the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars, and **Irene Blecker Rosenfeld '75, MS '77, PhD '80**, the president and CEO of Kraft Canada Inc., elected Cornell trustees by alumni; and **David Mario-Newton Mahon**, a junior in the Ag college, elected to the board by the student body.

Benjamin Widom, PhD '53, the Goldwin Smith professor of chemistry, recipient of the American Chemical Society's Award in Theoretical Chemistry.

President emeritus **Frank H. T. Rhodes**, elected president of the American Philosophical Society.

Actor **Christopher Reeve '74**, who was given an honorary doctor of humane letters degree at Williams College's commencement.

Nathan Kolodney '61, BA '63, inducted by Russia's Pushkin Museum as a museum laureate for his work with émigrés from the former Soviet Union.

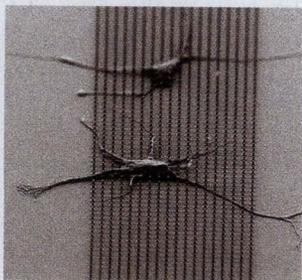
Martha Fineman, Clarke professor of feminist jurisprudence at Cornell Law School, awarded the Harry Kalven Prize by the Law and Society Association.

Professors **Robert Pohl** (physics) and **Jeffrey Roberts** (biology), elected to the National Academy of Sciences.

Mort Lowenthal '53, B Chem E '54, recipient of Hillel International's highest honor, the Exemplar of Excellence Award.

Raffaello D'Andrea. The tournament was held in Stockholm in August; Cornell beat a top-ranked South Korean squad in the first round, eventually advancing to defeat the FU Fighters of the Free University of Berlin 15-0 in the final. The championship match was watched by 1,000 fans, broadcast live on Swedish television, and streamed on the World Wide Web.

"We were strong in every aspect of the system: robotics, visual control, artificial intelligence," said D'Andrea. "We had no weak parts, which is what we try to teach the students in systems engineering, that you're only as strong as your weakest link."



CU NEWS

NEURONS: UNDER STUDY

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NANOBIOTECHNOLOGY

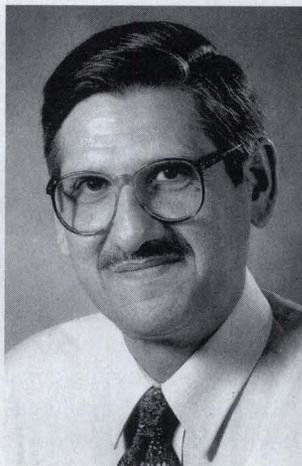
FUNDED BY AS MUCH as \$19 million from the National Science Foundation over the next five years, a new Nanobiotechnology Center is in the works for the Engineering Quad. The facility, to be housed in the planned Duffield Hall, will be run by a consortium of institutions including Cornell, Princeton, and Oregon Health Sciences University. It will be dedicated to nanobiotechnology, a term coined on the Hill several years ago to define the marriage of biology and nanofabrication, a field that

deals with structures measured by the billionth of a meter. The center's funding includes \$7.3 million from Cornell over five years, and up to \$300,000 a year from New York State. Said Governor George Pataki: "The addition of this new technology center at Cornell will help us firmly establish New York as a world-class center for biotechnology research and development."

A, A & P DEAN

INTERIM NO LONGER

PORUS OLPADWALA, A city planning professor who has been interim dean of the College of Architecture, Art, and Planning since 1998, has been named to the position on a permanent basis. On the faculty since 1982, Olpadwala holds three Cornell degrees: an MBA (1973), a master's of regional planning (1976), and a PhD (1979). His recent research includes



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PORUS OLPADWALA

an ecological study, conducted with IBM, on the disposal of used computers.

BARBARA HOPE COOPER, 45

PROFESSOR OF PHYSICS

BARBARA HOPE Cooper '75, BS '76, the first woman to be appointed a professor of physics at Cornell, died August 7 in Ithaca. She was for-

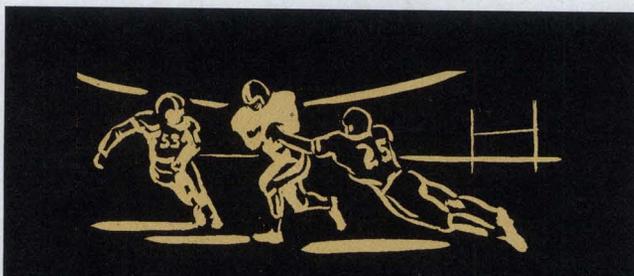


COOPER IN THE LAB

ty-five. Cooper battled lung cancer for several months, but was still working with her research group of seven graduate students until the week of her death.

Cooper entered Cornell as an undergrad in 1971, intending to become a doctor. But when a back injury forced her to take a semester off from classes, she took a research job at the university's Laboratory of Nuclear Studies and developed a yen for physics. She went on to earn her PhD from Cal Tech and returned to teach at Cornell the following year. On the Hill, she was best known for her studies of low-energy ion interactions with metal surfaces—and for encouraging female students in physics. At the time of her death, more than half of her grad students were women.

Cooper's survivors include her husband, Christopher Robert Myers, a senior research associate in the Cornell Theory Center, and her eight-year-old daughter, Katie. Donations in her memory may be made to the American Cancer Society or to the Barbara Hope Cooper Memorial Fund, c/o the Department of Physics, Clark Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY, 14853.



GRIDIRON ON AIR

THREE BIG RED GAMES WILL BE TELEVISED VIA satellite this fall:

- SEPTEMBER 18 — season opener at Princeton, 1 p.m., KU Band, Telstar 5, Transponder K19.
- OCTOBER 16 — at Colgate, Empire Sports Network's ECAC Game of the Week, noon, DirecTV channel 626 or Dish Network channel 432.
- OCTOBER 23 — at Dartmouth, noon, KU Band, SBS 6, Transponder 6

R&D

Insurance costs rarely rise after hiring employees with disabilities, a survey shows, but stereotypes of people with disabilities still plague the workplace, says Susanne Bruyere, an extension associate and principal investigator for the Program on Employment and Disability.



According to a recent study, 60 percent of Americans will live below the poverty line for at least one year. Thomas Hirschl, professor of rural sociology, says the study portrays poverty as a mainstream problem rather than an underclass affliction.



A new treatment system can rid a glass of water of pesticides in a matter of minutes, reports David Saltmiras, a doctoral candidate in environmental toxicology. The system, Anodic Fenton Treatment, could be invaluable to farms and industry, Saltmiras says.



Biological tools show promise in the destruction of maggots plaguing onion crops. Entomology professor Charles Eckenrode Jr. says the fungus *Beauveria bassiana* and a bacterium *Bacillus thuringiensis* have been effective in lab tests.



Researchers led by biochemistry professor David Wilson have begun field trials of the bacteria *Escherichia coli*, which could aid the environment by soaking up heavy-metal pollutants, such as mercury, and sequestering them for recycling.

SLOW GOING

\$7 MILLION, 25 MPH

AT 4 A.M. ON A Wednesday in July, a \$7 million piece of equipment left Syracuse University bound for Wilson Laboratory. Accompanied by a police escort and without stopping (any jostling could have damaged it) the entourage traveled at twenty-five miles an hour, arriving on campus at six. The machine, constructed as part of a twenty-university effort, is the heart of a new \$15 million particle detector. Dubbed CLEO III, it will detect the debris that results from particle collisions in Cornell's underground electron storage ring; that debris is thought to offer clues as to why the universe began with equal amounts of matter and antimatter, but developed into a matter-dominated world.

Wilson Lab's High Energy Synchrotron Source, or CHES, is also in the



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CLEO III: THE HEART OF THE NEW PARTICLE DETECTOR ARRIVES

midst of an upgrade. The X-ray facility is adding a sixth beam line, which will be one of the most intense in the world, producing X-rays as much as fifty times more powerful than the facility does now. The project is expected to be completed by summer; funding includes \$3 million from the university and \$2.5 million from the National Science Foundation.

NEREUS OR BUST

CLARK HEADS TEAM

IN JANUARY 2002, THE U.S. and Japan will launch a spacecraft at asteroid 4660 Nereus. The vehicle will land, take samples, and bring them back to Earth three years later. Heading the research team: Beth Clark, a research associate in the astronomy department. Clark, who previously served on a scientific review panel for the Hubble Space Telescope, will lead the team assigned to develop the near infrared spectrometer to be carried aboard a miniature (one kilogram) robotic rover.

GOOD FELLOWS

A GIFT RENEWED

A \$7.5 MILLION GIFT from the Park Foundation has renewed the Park Leadership Fellows Program at the business school. The fellowships offer full tuition and stipends to thirty students in each MBA class. Fellows are chosen for leadership skills, academics, professional accomplishments, and commitment to community service.



THE (SWEET) SPOT

FINISHING JUST DECIMAL POINTS BEHIND THE WINNER, Cornell's food product development team placed second at the Institute of Food Technologists' student competition held in Chicago in July. Big Red, which has won three out of the past five years, took home silver for "Sweet Spots." The microwavable frozen dessert (an apple filled with ice cream and coated with caramel, oatmeal, and nuts) uses a removable plastic-and-aluminum tube to keep the ice cream cold while the coating is heated.

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HOMECOMING PRIMER

NOVEMBER 5-7

Friday, 6:30 p.m., Statler ballroom. Exemplary service awards dinner honoring seven alumni. (607) 255-3517.

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Chime in the New: A dedication ceremony, bell casting and tuning lectures, tower tours, concerts, and a world premiere celebrate the weekend's reinstallation of the chimes. (607) 255-2373 or www.cornell.edu/zChimes/

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Saturday, 10 a.m. to noon, Campus Store autographing with Barry Strauss (*Rowing against the Current*), Dan Schwartz (*Imagining the Holocaust*), and others. Emily Gray <eg20@cornell.edu>

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Saturday, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00, Lynah Rink lot. Lunch under the tent. For tickets: (607) 255-7085.

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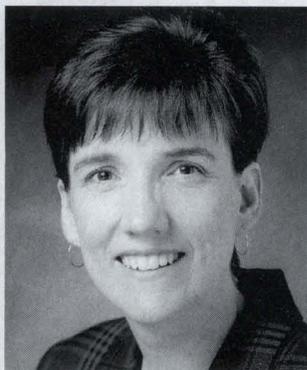
Saturday, 12 p.m. Upper Kite Hill lot. ALS Alumni Association Tailgate. (607) 255-7651.

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1 p.m. Schoellkopf field. Varsity spikers meet Yale on the field's new AstroTurf surface. Coach Pete Mangurian has thirty-one lettermen returning.

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Saturday, 8 p.m., Sage Chapel. The Glee Club fall concert, including the Alma Mater and Evening Song. For tickets: (607) 255-3396.



NICOLA ROUANTOUPES / UP

MARY BETH GRANT

CHIEF JUSTICE

GRANT APPOINTED J.A.

MARY BETH GRANT, a former staff attorney with the Legal Aid Society of Minneapolis, has been named to a two-year term as the university's Judicial Administrator. Grant, who earned her J.D. on the Hill in 1988, holds an undergraduate degree in social work from the University of Iowa. Her responsibilities will include adjudicating alleged violations of the campus code of conduct.

ASTEROID CORNELL

IT'S "HIGHLY INCLINED"

I HAVE A... UNIQUE GIFT to offer Cornell which will increase the size of its campus," astronomer Ted Bowell said during the International Conference on Asteroids, Comets, and Meteors, held on the Hill in July. "It's a piece of celestial real estate." With that, he announced that a minor planet he discovered twenty years ago had been renamed Asteroid Cornell. The asteroid, which goes around the sun every 5.5 years, was formerly known as 1980 R.P. It resembles the university, he said, because "it's highly inclined and slightly eccentric."

SHE'S LISTENING

HILLARY & THE FARMERS

AS PART OF HER "listening tour" of New York State in contemplation of a race for U.S. Senate, First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton visited campus in late July for a discussion of agricultural issues. The invitation-only event, sponsored by the Ag college and held in the Biotech building, included about fifty farmers, students, and academics. Topics included crop prices, the severe summer drought, high inheritance taxes, foreign competition, and environmental regulations. "Food security is part of national security," Clinton said. "I hope more Americans begin to understand that."



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CLINTON AT BIOTECH



DON'T TRY THIS AT HOME

GOOD JEANS

SCIENCE OF CLOTHING

THEY CALLED THEIR new discipline "jean-etics." The question: how many pairs of blue jeans does it take to hold up a Volvo wagon? The answer, discovered during a weekend demonstration at Ithaca's Sciencenter by civil and environmental engineering professor Charles Trautmann, PhD '83, was... two. As part of an exhibit on the science of clothing at the downtown museum, the Volvo was lifted a few inches off the ground by a crane—which was connected to the car by only five pairs of jeans. The pants were then removed one by one; it wasn't until one pair remained that the fabric finally ripped.

BIG CITY "SUI"

THE FIRST NON-Ithaca outpost of East Hill's beloved Hot Truck was scheduled to open in Boston's Allston neighborhood September 1. Franchising the PMP was the brainchild of Jeffrey Riedl '70. Andrew Miller '87 plans to open as many as ten Hot Trucks throughout New England.



THE HOT TRUCK

Thank you from the Cornell Fund

A message from the National Cornell Fund Chair

Jeffrey P. Parker '65

This year has been an extraordinary one for Cornell, with Cornellians stepping forward to support the University's mission in unprecedented numbers. Many reunion classes set new records-both in terms of dollars raised and participation. Overall, Reunion Campaigns raised over \$59 million dollars for Cornell-a new all-time record for the University. In addition, these classes set a new all-time record for the number of donors making gifts to Cornell, with over 8,583 participating. The National Phonathons held across the country this past fall also gave a tremendous boost to our participation numbers. This year, over 39,000 alumni made a gift in support of Cornell, the highest number in recent years.

At the heart of each of these accomplishments are the efforts of our many Cornell Fund volunteers. It is my great pleasure to recognize the individuals on these pages for their leadership in Cornell's fundraising efforts. They are an incredibly dedicated and enthusiastic group who give generously of their time, talent, creativity, expertise, and personal resources for the future of Cornell. I am grateful to them for their efforts in leading us to such extraordinary success in the past year, and would like to thank them publicly for their efforts.

J. Thomas Clark '63 MBA '64
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A message from Young Alumni Program National Chair

Claudia Goldman Kandel '93

With the new millennium upon us, it is great to know so many Cornellians from our generation are committed to supporting our alma mater now and in the years to come. Thank you to all the Young Alumni Program committee member volunteers and especially the regional chairs. Your leadership and enthusiasm have helped us reach a new record in Ivy Society membership, encourages participation at all levels, and continues to keep Cornellians around the country connected.

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Fall 1999 Regional Phonathon Schedule

Every year, hundreds of Cornellians meet for a night in their area and contact friends, classmates, and college-mates to encourage their support for Cornell. These phonathons helped to raise over \$1 million for Cornell this past year. If you'd like to join us for one of these nights in your city, to help Cornell and have a good time reconnecting with friends, please contact us at 1-800-279-3099.

ALBANY	OCTOBER 13	ITHACA	NOVEMBER 1	PALM BEACH	SEPTEMBER 30
ANCHORAGE	OCTOBER	JACKSONVILLE	OCTOBER 27	PORTLAND	NOVEMBER 3
ATLANTA	OCTOBER 26	LOS ANGELES	OCTOBER 13	ROCHESTER	OCTOBER 25
BINGHAMTON	OCTOBER 18	LOUISVILLE	NOVEMBER 9	SAN DIEGO	NOVEMBER 16
BOSTON	OCTOBER 4	MANCHESTER	OCTOBER 26	SAN FRANCISCO	NOVEMBER 10
BUFFALO	OCTOBER 26	REUNION NYC	SEPTEMBER 23	SAN MATEO/PALO ALTO	NOVEMBER 9
BURLINGTON	OCTOBER 25	MANHATTAN	OCTOBER 4 & NOVEMBER 10	SYRACUSE	OCTOBER 19
CHICAGO	OCTOBER 27	MIAMI	SEPTEMBER 28	TAMPA	OCTOBER 25
DENVER	OCTOBER 13	MID HUDSON	OCTOBER 12	WASHINGTON DC	OCTOBER 18
FAIRFIELD	NOVEMBER	MONMOUTH/OCEAN	OCTOBER 13	WILMINGTON	NOVEMBER 18
FT. LAUDERDALE	SEPTEMBER 29	ORLANDO	OCTOBER 28		
HOUSTON	NOVEMBER 10				

for a great year!

A message from the National Tower Club Co-Chairs

J. Thomas Clark '63, MBA '64, and Nancy Williams Clark '62, M Ed '64

Gifts from Tower Club members are the cornerstone of support for Cornell. The generous investment these individuals make has a visible impact across campus in funding the essentials of a top-quality education—scholarships, teaching and research funds, and faculty support are all areas that have benefited from Tower Club gifts.

We would like to extend a warm and sincere thank you to our Tower Club volunteers who worked so hard to encourage fellow Cornellians to support our great University. Thanks to the dedication of the individuals listed, we have reached 3,564 members, the second highest membership in the 37 year history of the Tower Club program. We deeply appreciate their commitment and would like to recognize them for their hard work.

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FOR SOME CORNELLIANs, EARNING ENOUGH MONEY TO GET THE DIPLOMA IS A THIRTY-CREDIT COURSE. NOTES FROM THE OVERTIRED BY KENNETH AARON

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oug Miller '97 took a lifeguard job for a little extra cash when he was a freshman six years ago. That summer, he hawked tickets to a cut-rate circus. ("It wasn't Ringling Brothers," he says. "It was the Rambling Brothers or something.") Since then, he's been a short-order cook at the Ivy Room, done PR for a start-up Web company in Collegetown, managed a moving business (working a few 120-hour weeks), cleaned porches of trash, solicited ads for a menu book distributed on

Wall Street, washed pots at his fraternity, hung fliers, handed out keychains for an

online job service, and knocked on doors in Cayuga Heights drumming up work for College Pro painters.

By the time Miller finally finished Cornell this spring, two years late, he'd held more jobs than most of the people in his class ever will. Not that he had a choice. When you're broke, two classes short of graduation, and no longer eligible for stu-

dent help, hard work is your financial aid package. "I did what I had to do to get by," he says, sitting in the den of Beta Theta Pi two weeks after graduating, the scaffolding and flaking plaster ceiling proof of a waterbed accident a few days earlier. "I learned a lot about myself."

Miller worked those jobs out of necessity, not for his personal development. He needed the cash

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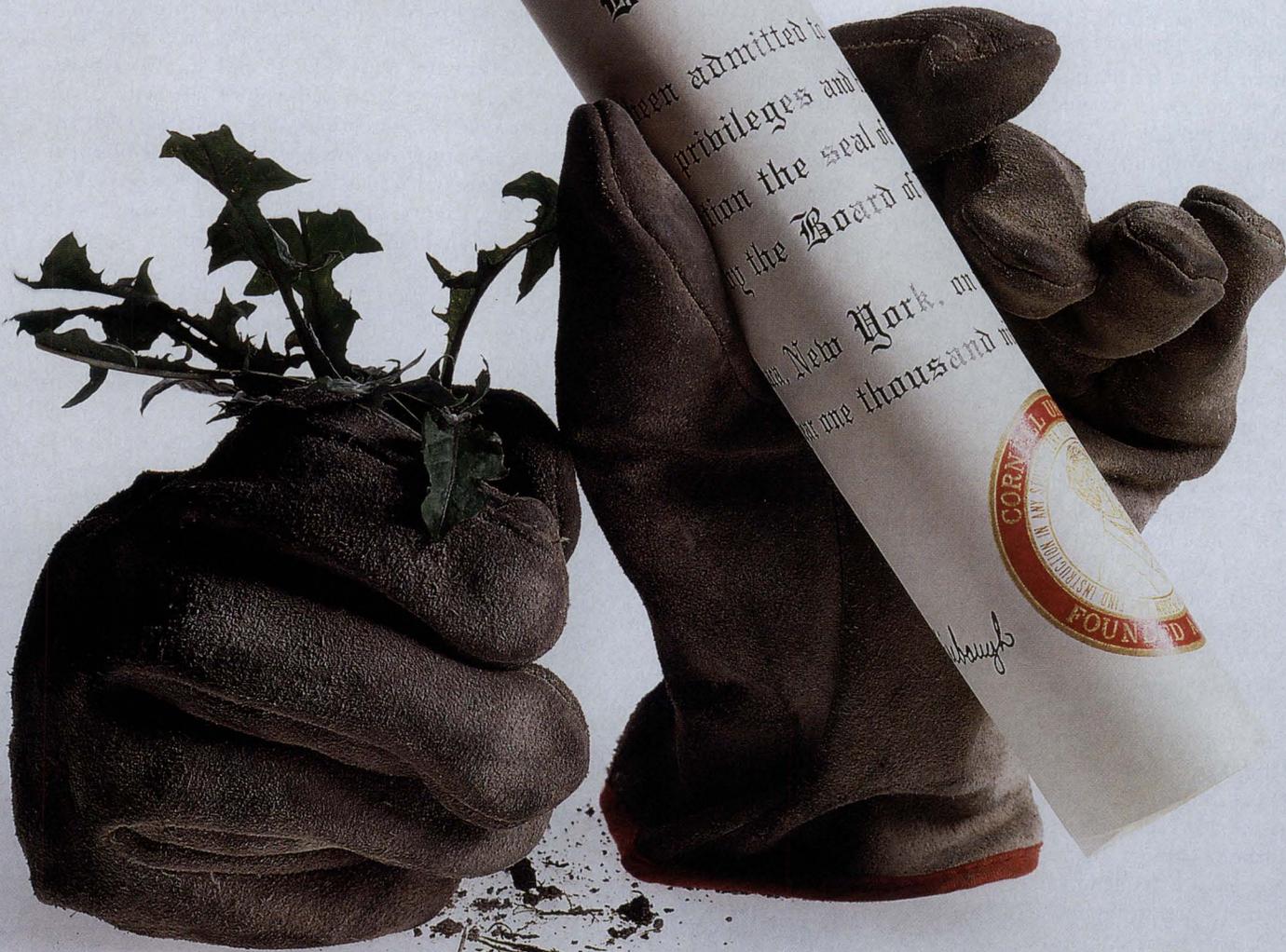
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to survive, and to go to school; without it, he wouldn't have finished his degree. He refused to let his parents pay for anything more when his first four years at Cornell passed sans sheepskin in 1997; it took him \$4,000 to finish his last two classes, getting through the home stretch by living in a barren, closet-like room in the frat house basement.

Miller may have had more jobs than the average student on a shoestring budget, but his situation wasn't all that unusual. Many Cornellians have to scratch and claw their way to a diploma, finding creative ways to pay for their four (or five or six) years in Ithaca. It's hard enough to get through college without having to worry about the bills along with the books, but with the price of a Cornell education edging near \$30,000 a year with room, board, and expenses, finance often becomes an unofficial major for many students. "People are doing all sorts of things to get by," says Tom Keane, Cornell's director of financial aid and student employment. "Students are being as creative as they need to be."

Increasingly, students everywhere are resorting to that creativity to survive. If it feels like college is taking up a bigger and bigger chunk of the American pocketbook, it is; adjusted for inflation, tuition at private, four-year colleges rose 90 percent from 1980 to 1996. At the same time, household incomes went up just 5 percent. And while the amount of financial aid went up, too, it covered little more than half that increase—mostly through loans, which tend to dampen graduation celebrations when the promissory notes start to come due.

At Cornell, the financial aid office has responded in the 1990s by committing to add new grant money at a rate double that of tuition increases. So if tuition rises 4 percent a year, grant money rises at 8 percent. Even so, students at Cornell borrow at the same rate they did eleven years ago: for every \$2 in grants the university gives, students take out another \$1 in loans. And if the students are dead-set against loan debt, they have to come up with other answers, because neither state nor federal governments are offering significant new sources of aid. "Certainly, there's a lot more scrambling with the higher cost of a college education," says Richard Flaherty, president of College Parents of America. "Students and parents are struggling to finance more expensive colleges."

His non-profit group, which represents 200,000 families, has gained mem-

bers as college costs have risen. Its strategy includes basic budgeting lessons for students, from smart credit-card use to balancing a checkbook. Such lessons might have been unnecessary twenty years ago; but back then, there was more room for error when it came to paying for college, which can now swallow a sizable chunk of the family budget. And while grants and loans can help, Flaherty says, "what you don't want to see is a situation where students go into so much debt that most of their adult life they're paying off loans." Among Flaherty's suggestions: Try the armed forces. Look at cheaper schools. And, of course, work—something more and more students are doing. According to the Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics, 45 percent of 1998 high school graduates attending college had jobs last year, compared with 37 percent of 1978 grads.

But these days, paying for school isn't just a matter of putting in long hours at McDonald's. Back in 1978, that may have been possible; the minimum wage was \$2.65 an hour, and at twenty hours a week for one full year, a student could make \$2,800 before taxes—enough to cover nearly 40 percent of the estimated \$7,300 cost of a year at Cornell, including \$4,400 tuition in the endowed colleges. Try covering tuition at minimum wage now, and you'll be a few fries short of a Happy Meal. Minimum wage is \$5.15 an hour. Work twenty hours a week for a year, and you're left with about \$5,300 before taxes. That's enough to pay just over 15 percent of what a Cornell student is expected to shell out in tuition and expenses. "When I worked, it was just making spending money, if anything," says Angeline Duane '94. To her, a job meant she could eat turkey for dinner instead of cereal. "I don't think it could ever pay for an education. I just don't think it's possible."

Though Duane didn't need loans to get through the College of Human Ecology, she did need to work. If she wanted to go to graduate school, she needed to squirrel away some cash during her senior year. So she took two jobs: one as a home health-care aide in Ithaca for two or three nights a week, and another in a group home for mentally retarded senior citizens in Groton. Despite all the work, and all the lost sleep, she was able to pack away only \$1,000. Four of Duane's six siblings also attended Cornell, and they worked, too—probably harder, by her own admission. Her



Brother T.J. '99 was a resident adviser; he also worked at the Hot Truck, as a teaching assistant, and as a professor's assistant. Marguerite '92, MA '94, was a teaching assistant and R.A. Felicia, now a junior, is an R.A. and holds down a job at the fitness center in Teagle Hall. In a family with seven children, Duane says, "you learn to find the inexpensive ways to get through life."

And their educations *were* inexpensive, at least by Ivy League standards. The Duanes attended Cornell's statutory colleges, which carry far cheaper price tags than their endowed counterparts, particularly for New York residents. In 1999-00, tuition at the statutory schools is \$10,330 for New Yorkers (\$19,900 for non-residents), compared to \$23,760 in the endowed schools. That disparity has led an untold number of Cornellians to economize by starting school in a statutory college, taking advantage of the lower tuition for a couple of years, then transferring to the endowed side to complete a degree. That tactic, while emphatically discouraged, is nothing new. In 1903, the university enacted a policy requiring such students to pay the tuition difference—retroactive to their first semester. Trustees struck down the policy in 1977, in part because other students were transferring to Cornell from cheaper two-year colleges without penalty.

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ESPIE THESE AND OTHER STRATEGIES, the majority of Cornellians need financial help beyond their parents. About half receive some form of need-based aid, and 65 percent get some kind of assistance, says Keane. Work is a common way for them to get by: 6,500 undergraduates hold work-study jobs. "I have always been in favor of combining labour and study," reads a sign in the aid

office, a quote from Ezra Cornell himself. The average award for those jobs is \$2,100 a year, earned while working ten to twelve hours a week.

Most student jobs are pedestrian: serving meals in dining halls, shelving library books. Few are as all-consuming as that of Chris Bond, an accidental restaurateur who returned to Cornell after a year-and-a-half hiatus in 1971. He, too, didn't want to accept any more money from his parents. So he turned his job at King Submarine House (then located on Eddy Street in Collegetown) into a business opportunity when the owner wanted to sell. With a \$5,000 loan, Bond and a partner took over the place; he used his share of the profits to finance his education. "It shows you who you are," says Bond '71, BS Ag '73, whose collegiate challenges included running out of food supplies and dealing with health inspectors. "It gave me a sense of confidence and independence that I certainly didn't come to Cornell with."

For some students, the way they pay for college defines their lives after Cornell—like Josh Willey '99, whose life belongs to the Air Force when he gets out of school. He just started medical school at Columbia (the Air Force will cover that, too), but when he's done, he'll be practicing medicine for Uncle Sam. That's part of the Reserve Officer Training Corps

bargain: free tuition, plus book money and a stipend, in exchange for future time in the service. Willey won't leave med school until he's thirty. He won't be able to leave the Air Force until he's forty. So for Willey, who is barely halfway to that point now, the prospect is daunting. "It's really strange," he says. "I know my life is planned out in front of me."

Some students, such as Matt Patrick '99, scramble to cut corners before college even starts. He found the answer to his money woes through the university's cooperative housing, a decades-old solution that can save thousands. "Room and board were the one way I could keep costs down," he says, lounging on a sleeping bag draped atop his mattress in Von Cramm Hall. His room is stripped to the basics, most of his stuff sent home one week after graduation. An old orange plaid sofa against one wall is about the only personality left.

When Patrick's father lost his job at a Plattsburgh, New York, paper mill during his senior year of high school, his college plans looked like they would take the route they always took in the Patrick home: his parents and three older brothers went to the State University of New York, Plattsburgh, and his younger brother would head there soon. His father told him to forget Cornell and head to the local school. "I don't think my dad understood," Patrick says of his Ivy ambitions.

So instead of hiking the Appalachians during spring of his senior year in high school, which he had graduated a semester early to do, he picked up jobs in a video store and a screen-printing shop and worked a paper route to chip away at his upcoming costs. And he headed toward the co-ops. "I called them up and said, 'What can I do to get in?'" The managers at Von Cramm Hall told him they had a vacancy for the fall and to head to Ithaca to check it out. So Patrick hopped a bus for the 283-mile ride to Ithaca with his sleeping bag (he had no motel money) and slept in Von Cramm's living room that night four years ago. He ate a plate of food set aside for him when he wasn't around for dinner. "I fell in love with the place," he says.

He's stayed at Von Cramm for four years, the last two as a house manager. Rent is just \$3,000 a year, and as a manager, he gets a third off of that. In three of Cornell's eight co-ops, there are meal plans; in all, decisions on maintenance and other house expenses belong to the students. Von Cramm is the largest co-op, with thirty-five students. The smallest fits ten. Patrick avoided the high-rent dorms that nearly all freshmen move into, making his home in a place where the students

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gram, which means that he lives rent-free at the department's Collegetown station in exchange for fire fighting. Bunker training is intense, beginning with three weeks of 6 a.m. to 5 p.m. drills a day. They learn how to hold their own on the trucks and in fires, because when the bells go off, the bunkers go down the brass pole along with the full-timers.

As Black walks through the concrete bays to the rear of the station, he points out his home's accouterments. The dimly lit building carries an industrial-dorm chic. There's a TV lounge with velour sofas and a halogen lamp. In the kitchen, bunkers get one food locker and a shelf in the monstrous refrigerator. Lots of ramen noodles are stacked in bulk packages. Pool and Ping-Pong tables finish the decor. Black has lived here since August 1998. He gets free laundry (plus parking, a bonus in a neighborhood so crowded that neighbors are calling for a moratorium on new apartments). But work is never far away; a scanner sits on a plaid chair in a small TV room. "It gets hard during the school year," Black says, when false alarms go off four or five nights a week.

He took the bunker spot after his parents divorced and money dried up. He'd already signed a lease for his senior year when the news came; he had to tell a not-so-happy roommate that he was backing out on him. For all the money saved, though, Black is quick to point out that bunkering is hardly a quick fix for desperate students, and only the motivated need apply. "It's not free. It's thirty hours a week," he says. If there's studying to be done when his unit is called out, too bad. The truck goes and he'd better be on it. Once, he slept through an alarm because of the work and study pressures. It hasn't happened since.

Although life as both a student and an employee isn't easy, it's probably how Ezra Cornell would have wanted it. After all, he envisioned his university as a place where young men would study and work to pay off their bills. Shortly before opening the school's doors, fearing that few would trek to Ithaca for an education, he wrote a letter to the *New York Tribune* promising work opportunities: "I will assure the boys that if they will perform a quarter as much labor as I did at their

do the cooking, cleaning, and budgeting. "We do it for cheap, mainly because we don't hire anyone," Patrick says. As he soon learned, and as most students cutting corners find out in short order, saving money usually takes lots of time. "Living here isn't just living here," he says. "It's working."

Nobody knows that better than Rich Black '99 and his colleagues at the Ithaca Fire Department. Black is part of the department's bunker pro-

ages, or as I do now at sixty years of age, they will find no difficulty in paying their expenses while prosecuting their studies at Ithaca." He wrote it, and students certainly did come—many of them unqualified and looking for a cheap education. But those early years were filled with students holding down jobs and studying, which greatly pleased Cornell. One was a carpenter, making \$45 a month. Others were waiters and janitors. Twenty students went to work at the university's press; others emptied chamber pots in the plumbing-free Cascadilla Hall. Unfortunately, despite Cornell's belief in the value of working your way through school, the so-called manual labor system he backed quickly fell apart. Students were sometimes inefficient, available only a few hours a day, and tough to train. By the end of the school's first year, the dining hall manager reported that half his crockery had been reduced to shards.

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UT WHAT EARLY COST-CUTTERS lacked in dexterity, they often made up in economy. Consider an "expense book," now in the University Archive, that belonged to Cornelia Zeller '16, MA '21. In February 1913, she paid for pearl buttons, skating, a German book, stamps, a tablet, notebook paper, and ribbon. She also donated to charity and gave a dime to her sister. That's it. For the

whole month. "We had always our obscure heroes, apparently convinced that an education is worth every sacrifice and deprivation," wrote Morris Bishop '13, PhD '26, in his *History of Cornell*. "We are told of a man who arrived in Ithaca in 1921 with \$2.16 in pocket. He lived for two days on a lunch packed by his mother; he then got a job in a restaurant and worked there until his graduation in forestry. I hope the experience was worth the pains." According to Bishop, an *Alumni News* inquiry in 1928 showed that 50 percent of the male students and 35 percent of the women were partially self-supporting. "Most of them," he wrote, "waited on tables at 35 to 50 cents an hour."

Then the Depression struck, which left legions in dire straits. One history now in the archive, *Voices from Connecticut Hill*, chronicles first-hand accounts by men who did field research for an exhaustive state study of ruffed grouse. For \$1.50 a day, they traipsed through the woods, cataloguing the habitat. Their off-hours weren't much more comfortable. "Some of us went through Cornell powered on peanut butter," wrote Art Hawkins '34. He recalled taking loaves of brown bread left over from a home ec class—as many as he and his buddies could fit in their arms—and putting them in a box outside their window. "Toward spring, some of the loaves got a bit moldy," he wrote, "but only on the outside, and it was easily trimmed off."

Historically, a common way for students to earn money was farm work, a job that has fallen out of favor in recent years. There are the obvious reasons (farms can be a long way from campus, and it's awfully hard work for a person whose first duty is, after all, to study), but there's another big factor:

most students just don't plan on farming as a career anymore. Once upon a time, the school maintained a thick notebook of area farm employment opportunities. "It's really practically nothing now," says Sharon Radcliffe, recruiting coordinator for the Ag college's career development office. "Unfortunately, that's the way it goes."

A handful of students still do farm work—sometimes with mixed results. Take Oliver Levis, a transfer from the University of Vermont who arrived at Cornell last fall with an empty wallet and not a clue about how he'd get by. "I came here without a place to live. I had a big pickup and a sleeping bag," he says. The sophomore put both to use, camping out in the leafy Cornell Plantations for the first weeks of the semester on nights when it didn't rain, or when he didn't get booted from the 2,900-acre gardens by university police. But then he hit on a cheap, dry alternative: a farm in Harford where, in exchange for ten hours of work a week, he could live for \$1 a day.

Levis lived alone at the farm, a Cornell operation, despite room for plenty more. Harford is fifteen miles from campus, and midwinter commuting was often an Arctic trek; one foot of snow in Ithaca often triples out there. So Levis sometimes felt very, very alone. "I was definitely missing out on stuff," Levis says. "I was totally isolated until spring break." He rarely put in his ten hours a week, even though the chores paid \$5.65 an hour. "It was like a running joke to them that I didn't work very hard," he says; he doubts the farm would take him back even if he wanted to live there again.

Levis's family is paying his tuition, but he has balked at taking out loans to cover his living expenses. He's not alone. To many, living low now looks better than fat bills after graduation. "My dad really drummed it into me that being in debt is almost like a form of bondage," says Patrick. But the federal government guarantees at least \$2,000 in loan money to all, regardless of need; students borrow to the tune of \$35 billion a year. And as most financial aid officers will remind you, the loans usually pay off in the long run. "They're an investment," says Ellen Braitman '90, author of *Dollars and Sense for College Students, Or How Not to Run Out of Money By Mid-Terms*, "because college grads make so much more than high school grads."

Some at Cornell saw the debt tidal wave nearing shore almost two decades ago and decided to do something about it. The Cornell Tradition program promises to forgive \$3,500 a year in student loans for students willing to perform up to 250 hours of community service a year. Since its inception in 1982, it has forgiven \$19 million in loans, says Janiece Bacon Oblak, the program's director. "I have talked to students who look for every conceivable way to save money," she says, acknowledging that as tuitions rise faster than incomes, people

have to stretch further to pay for school. "We're recognizing that students are having to raise so much more money through loans that we're raising the ceiling." When the program started, it promised to erase \$2,000 per student each year; that was soon bumped to \$2,500; this year, it was \$3,500; and in the 2000-2001 school year, it will become \$4,000.

Other Cornell initiatives are at work to boost the amount of cash available to students. In the fall of 1998 an anonymous donor pledged to give \$1 toward grants for every \$3 the university can raise. In December, when the fund-raising campaign wraps up, Keane hopes to add \$200 million to the university's commitment to need-based undergraduate aid. "It's huge," he says, especially during a time when it has been harder to fill the gaps between tuition growth, aid growth, and income growth.

In her book, Braitman urges students to avoid money crunches by planning ahead—laying out budgets, even if it hurts. Braitman, a former *Daily Sun* editor now at *Consumer Reports*, tells students that it's the little expenses—the double lattes at Stella's Coffeehouse, the favorite \$5 magazine—that really add up, and that curbing those purchases is a first step toward frugal living. Although "it may sound dorky," she says, cash-strapped students need to make sacrifices, like swapping a trip to the cinema for an evening with a bowl of microwave popcorn and a rented movie. "It doesn't sound fun," she says, "but it's a lot more fun than stressing at the end of the month when the rent is due."

It's sound advice, but it's not always easy to follow. Fireman Black

watches the parade march by the Collegetown station with Wendy's burgers when he's got only tuna on the menu. "There are a lot of rules to live by here," Black says of the firehouse. There's no alcohol allowed, for starters. And no guests after 11 p.m. He stops talking for a moment, then says, "Actually, those are the only two rules, but if you're a senior, that's everything." Patrick looks at the Alpha Tau Omega parking lot, just steps from Von Cramm, stocked with new SUVs, and feels that twinge of jealousy. "We never fill up all of our parking spaces," he says. When he sees those guys driving around campus, he thinks, "Daddy bought them a new Land Rover and they think they're hot."

Still, many students seem to consider hard work an integral part of their college experience. While their peers may cruise campus in late-model trucks, the memories and lessons they've cultivated speak more to them. Like Willey, who says his ROTC work hardly got in the way of what he came to Cornell for. "It allows you to grow as a person," Willey says. "And that's what college is all about."

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Careerwise, the best thing that ever happened to Carl Sagan was joining the faculty of Harvard University. The second-best thing happened when Harvard denied him tenure. It's paradoxical: had he remained at Harvard, surrounded by colleagues who viewed him with indifference or disdain, he might never have become an important science popularizer.

Harvard shared the "proper," no-nonsense air of New England culture. By contrast, Cornell was in farm country where hippies were beginning to settle and where conscientious objectors stopped by

to protest the war and share a toké before fleeing to Canada. Cornell was an excellent university, but the best American students didn't necessarily include it on their "Top 10" lists. Some perceived it as an "ag school" in a hick town with little night life. The move was a comfortable one for Sagan's new wife, Linda, however. "She had a beatnik, bohemian quality to her," recalls her son Nick. "It fit in real well with Ithaca, [with its] hippies trying to escape the culture."

If the University of Chicago, Yerkes Observatory, Berkeley, Stanford, and Harvard created "Sagan, the Scientist,"

then Cornell created "Carl Sagan, the Celebrity." "It's clear many people at Harvard thought Carl was flaky, not a serious scientist, and far too interested in personal aggrandizement through public speaking and press . . . He was much more accepted and honored at Cornell," observes his former Harvard student David Morrison. Sagan's friend Lester Grinspoon agrees: "Harvard doesn't need superstars, it's got so many of them. At Cornell, he was superstar." Indeed, Cornell regarded Sagan with awe. His presence made the school "cool" as it never had been before. His youthful-

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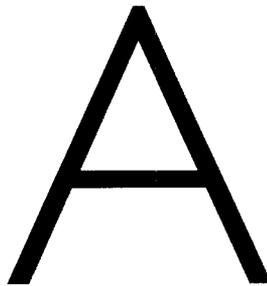


ness, charisma, and optimism (in the grim Nixon era) appealed to the “TV generation,” who were completing their SATs and choosing a college, and wondering: Why not go to Cornell, home of that cool astronomer?

During Sagan’s first decade at Cornell, he would show up all the snobs and green-eyed detractors at Harvard. He became the preeminent voice of American space science, a celebrity visible enough to attract his first nonscientific critics. Meanwhile, he continued doing science as he liked to do it: by flitting, butterflylike, from flower to flower. Not for him was the life of the pigeonholed academic who becomes a world-class expert on T-Tauri stars but knows nothing about the Big Bang. Nor for him was the stoic seclusion of the scholar, who takes bitter pride in refusing to popularize his life’s toil on the reproductive strategies of carp. Sagan liked talking to reporters. He had liked being on stage, in the spotlight, ever since high school, when he delivered Thurber’s bons mots to an audience of proud parents.

True, Sagan worked too hard. He did too much. His scientific accomplishments might have been less arguable had he restricted himself to one or

nificant, or at least headline-grabbing. They ranged from his work with Mansfield University physicist George Mullen on the role of ammonia in the early atmosphere to his *Astrophysical Journal* article with Cornell professor Edwin Salpeter on the hypothetical “balloon animals” of Jupiter. He maintained close collaborations with a chosen few, particularly Jim Pollack and Bishun Khare. With Pollack, his first graduate student at Harvard, Sagan would erect an impressive edifice of research on the Venusian atmosphere. And with Khare, his longtime research associate, he would develop an iconoclastic view of cosmic organic chemistry, one centered on inexplicable brownish smears that he dubbed “tholins.”



LSO IN THE 1968-78 decade. Sagan cultivated his nonscientific side. He had just married an artist; she helped him tap his inner feelings, instincts, intuitions. Though he felt awkward in social situations at Harvard, his social skills blossomed after he moved to Cornell. Perhaps in this less stuffy setting, he felt free to let his idiosyncratic conversa-

your own research, he generously offered tips and suggestions—often crazy ones, but occasionally brilliant ones, too. History does not record how many intellectual Gordian knots were cut by Sagan’s razor-sharp tongue at wine and cheese faculty gatherings; there were more than a few. When he entered a room, the conversational level noticeably improved, as it must have in Oscar Wilde’s day when he sauntered into a salon. Through conferences jammed with colleagues Sagan floated, beaming and chatting and joking; he was a six-foot gravity well toward whom everyone naturally gravitated. He was fun. “Hey, Carl is here!” It would be an overstatement to say that everyone loved him, for his bluntness upset many and his talent many more; in any case, he rarely failed to cause excitement.

Sagan flexed his new-found artistic muscles in his breakthrough bestseller, *The Cosmic Connection*. He became a TV star, the upbeat educator of sleepy-eyed millions viewing the “Tonight” show. During the Viking mission, he was the TV networks’ favorite talking head, whose playful speculations about an inhabited Mars maddened his colleagues but titillated viewers. And like a performance artist with a NASA-sized budget, he engaged in grand forms of self-expression: he sent “messages” to aliens aboard star-bound space probes, the Pioneers 10 and 11 and the Voyager 2. But aliens are highly unlikely to recover these probes, these infinitesimal specks now leaving our solar system for the galactic wilds. Their messages (two plaques and two records encoded with the sounds and

imagery of Earth) are best thought of as glorious, useless gestures—as shouts in the dark, assertions of hope in an indifferent universe. And, of course, as splendid publicity stunts for Carl Sagan.

At the same time, he fought to maintain a public image of scientific sobriety and hardheadedness. He retained credibility with his orthodox colleagues partly by attacking their antithesis, the airhead purveyors of pseudoscience and occultism then storming the cultural marketplace. Of course, crank ideas were nothing new. Historically, they

two main fields and diligently plowed them until it was time to abandon all hope and become chair of the department. He bit off more than he could chew—and thus enjoyed one wonderful banquet after another, while his colleagues picked at their beets and parsley. In the process, Sagan befriended many fascinating fellow diners. His scientific lone-wolf days (for example, when he taught himself greenhouse theory) were over. Increasingly, he relied on collaborations, usually transient ones. The results were sometimes scientifically sig-

tional style out of the box. Eventually, he would become a Noel Coward of science, a man for whom bold articulation and quickness of wit were absolute virtues. His eyes shone as he dominated a conversation, and deservedly so, for he typically knew more about the topic at hand—and discussed it more suavely—than anyone else present. At the same time, he listened as well as he talked. During intense conversation, his dark eyes gazed at you as if you were the sole other sentience in the cosmos. If you anxiously described the sorry state of

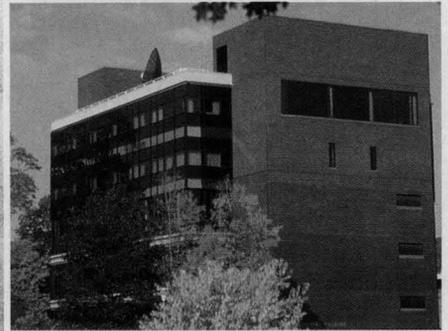
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ASTRONOMER THOMAS GOLD (TOP RIGHT) BROUGHT SAGAN TO CORNELL IN 1968 TO BUILD A "WORLD-CLASS" DEPARTMENT. BOTTOM: THE SPACE SCIENCES BUILDING

tend to come in waves, sometimes stirred by larger societal tensions such as wars and economic dislocations. And right on schedule, the 1970s—the era of economic stagnation, of long gasoline lines, of American humiliation in Southeast Asia—brought a Crank Renaissance. Books on psychic phenomena, pyramid power, and the Bermuda Triangle flew off shelves, while UFO “abductions” soared and New Age cults enlisted legions.

Meanwhile, behind ivory towers, a growing number of academics began questioning the reliability of science itself. Was it truly the royal road to truth? Or was it just another belief system, no more trustworthy than religion, art, or other routes to awareness? Such talk scared the culturati’s nervous Nellies, to whom another Dark Age is always just around the corner. Science and reason (they warned) were in danger—and with them, Western civilization. Sagan became their hero. But he was discomfited by their zeal. Not content to be their attack dog, he developed a more complex view of the tension between rationalism and irrationalism, one pre-

figured by the structure of the human brain. He expressed this view in his first truly literary work, the book that climaxed his 1968–78 decade: *Dragons of Eden*. A crazy salad of ideas about myths, dreams, and evolution, *Dragons* won the Pulitzer Prize.

Thereafter, the intelligentsia realized that Sagan was no longer merely a scientist or a late-night TV show guest. He was a luminary. The 1968–78 decade set the stage for his life’s climax, when he became the reigning king of science popularization. In that long twilight, amid personal chaos and physical pain, he deployed those troublesome, unscientific traits—feelings, instincts, intuitions—to paint his alluring visions on the TV and movie screens; to express, in short, what it meant to be “a collection of water, calcium, and organic molecules called Carl Sagan.”

It was Thomas “Tommy” Gold who brought Sagan to Cornell. Gold epitomized Cornell’s openness to offbeat geniuses. Over the years, he had proposed at least as many unusual ideas as Sagan had. Working with Gold “was very stimulating, because he was always toss-

ing off original ideas,” recalls one of his former doctoral students, Steven Soter, PhD ’71. “He would have several a day. And some nonzero fraction of them would turn out to be right.”

In the 1960s Gold ran the Center for Radiophysics and Space Research at Cornell. The school’s leaders, he recalls, sought “to build up a world-class astronomy department.” He had tried to hire Sagan even before Harvard denied him tenure. Besides their penchant for science-fictionish speculation, both men believed that the universe is, to use a Hollywood term, life-affirming: it generates complex organic molecules more readily than commonly thought. Geologists traditionally explained petroleum as a residue of decayed prehistoric biota, but Gold argued that it formed by astrochemical processes; there is more oil in Jupiter than beneath all the Earth’s Arabian sands and North Seas. Likewise, Sagan believed that organic molecules might exist on the Moon and other worlds. Sagan was certainly wrong about the Moon, and Gold might well be wrong (debate persists). Yet both were thinking along the right lines. As it

turned out later, complex organic molecules pervade much of the outer solar system and beyond.

True, Sagan had shortcomings. "He was a little pushy . . . concentrating the conversation on work that he had done . . . on opinions he had . . . brushing other comments out of the way," Gold remembers. "He was not arrogant, but just kept insisting on advancing himself [to] anybody to whom he was speaking at the time. [He] always had to turn the conversation around to himself. Quite frankly, his reputation as an astronomer was not all that high at that time . . . He tended to suggest things that he didn't have all that much proof for." Then Gold laughed. "Anybody could accuse me of that even more!" Gold visited Cornell provost (and later president) Dale Corson and urged him to hire Sagan. Gold assured Corson: "Dale, you will not regret this."

According to Sagan, Gold offered him the job "shortly after we appeared on a panel together on Mars . . . I came to Cornell to look it over. I liked, very much, their physics and chemistry departments. The astronomy department was small but very good," with notables including astrophysicist Ed Salpeter and Hans Bethe, pioneer of the modern theory of stellar nuclear fusion. Then Gold drove Sagan to a nearby state park, which Sagan thought rivaled the beauty of Zion National Park. That clinched it. Sagan accepted the job. Eventually he and Linda would settle in a handsome lakeside home surrounded by forest, where the night sky was un sullied by city lights and the autumn colors were an eye full of yellow and orange and red.

With permission from Harvard-Smithsonian, Sagan transferred his Cambridge laboratory equipment to Cornell. His Harvard colleague Bishun Khare moved to Ithaca, too. There, in Sagan's Laboratory for Planetary Studies, they would spend many years simulating what, according to some theories, is the bloodstream of the galactic ecosystem—mists of interstellar organic molecules that veil the bright urban coastline of the Milky Way.

In the late 1960s and early 1970s, the nation's campuses were in an uproar. The Vietnam War was in full swing, and students were burning their draft cards.

Cornell students seized an engineering building for several days. Sagan marched and wore antiwar buttons. He attended "one or two" mass protests in Washington during the late 1960s, Soter says. And in 1972, he would join other professors in co-authoring a protest against the bombing of Cambodia.

His Astronomy 101 class enthralled at least one graduate student of literature, Deane Rink '67. The long-haired Rink, who had helped to found the local chapter of the radical Students for a Democratic Society, noticed when Soter—Gold's associate, who occasionally worked with Sagan—started attending SDS meetings. One day, Soter mentioned that Sagan wanted to meet an "articulate student radical." Rink agreed to serve as the anthropological specimen, and that evening drove to Sagan's home. "My ultimate litmus test for the good Dr. Sagan was to offer him a joint," Rink says. Sagan took a puff. They talked "until the wee hours of the morning." In retrospect, Rink suspects that Sagan "tolerated my bombast and saw through my false bravado." In time, Rink and Soter would join Sagan in bringing "Cosmos" to the TV screen.

For young people of the 1960s and 1970s, marijuana use was a rite of passage. To the very youngest, smoking the illegal drug was the boldest way to rebel

decades, Harvard psychiatry professor Dr. Lester Grinspoon, a leading advocate of the decriminalization of marijuana, recalls an incident in the 1980s when one of his California admirers mailed him, unsolicited, some unusually high-quality pot. Grinspoon shared the joints with Sagan and Annie Druyan, Sagan's third wife. Afterwards, Grinspoon recalls, Sagan asked if he could have the last joint because, he explained, he had so much work to do the next day and it would really help.

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RINSPOON'S 1971 book *Marihuana Reconsidered* included a long essay by an unidentified "Mr. X," who described his happy experiences with the drug. The essay identified Mr. X as "a professor at one

of the top-ranking American universities" but disguised his identity. In my 1999 interview with Grinspoon, he revealed that Mr. X was Sagan. To Grinspoon, Sagan's use of the drug is dramatic disproof of the popular wisdom that pot diminishes motivation: "He was certainly highly motivated to work, to contribute." Mr. X's essay is of interest not merely because it reveals Sagan's use of an illegal drug, but because it also offers a glimpse of feelings he rarely shared.

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against parental and governmental authority. But many young adults used "weed," too. The term "groves of academe" took on a new meaning in universities, where the spiky-leaved plants grew vigorously and covertly under ultraviolet lamps in dormitory closets.

Sagan had been a regular marijuana user from the early 1960s on. He believed the drug enhanced his creativity and insights. His closest friend of three

It all began about ten years ago. I had reached a considerably more relaxed period in my life—a time when I had come to feel that there was more to living than science, a time of awakening of my social consciousness and amiability, a time when I was open to new experiences. I had become friendly with a group of people who occasionally smoked cannabis, irregularly, but with evident pleasure. Initially I was unwilling to partake, but the apparent euphoria that cannabis produced and the fact that there



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was no physiological addiction to the plant eventually persuaded me to try. My initial experiences were entirely disappointing; there was no effect at all, and I began to entertain a variety of hypotheses about cannabis being a placebo which worked by expectation and hyperventilation rather than by chemistry. After about five or six unsuccessful attempts, however, it happened. I was lying on my back in a friend's living room idly examining the pattern of shadows on the ceiling cast by a potted plant (not cannabis!). I suddenly realized that I was examining an intricately detailed miniature Volkswagen, distinctly outlined by the shadows. I was

very skeptical at this perception, and tried to find inconsistencies between Volkswagens and what I viewed on the ceiling. But it was all there, down to hubcaps, license plate, chrome, and even the small handle used for opening the trunk. When I closed my eyes, I was stunned to find that there was a movie going on on the inside of my eyelids. Flash . . . a simple country scene with red farmhouse, blue sky, white clouds, yellow path meandering over green hills to the horizon. Flash . . . same scene, orange house, brown sky, red clouds, yellow path, violet fields . . . Flash . . . Flash . . . Flash. The flashes came about once a heartbeat.

Each flash brought the same simple scene into view, but each time with a different set of colors . . . exquisitely deep hues, and astonishingly harmonious in their juxtaposition. Since then I have smoked occasionally and enjoyed it thoroughly . . .

Sometimes a kind of existential perception of the absurd comes over me and I see with awful certainty the hypocrisies and posturing of myself and my fellow men . . . There is a myth about such highs: the user has an illusion of great insight, but it does not survive scrutiny in the morning. I am convinced that this is an error, and that the

devastating insights achieved when high are real insights; the main problem is putting these insights in a form acceptable to the quite different self that we are when we're down the next day . . .

I can remember one occasion, taking a shower with my wife while high, in which I had an idea on the origins and invalidities of racism in terms of gaussian distribution curves. It was a point obvious in a way, but rarely talked about. I drew the curves in soap on the shower wall, and went to write the idea down. One idea led to another, and at the end of about an hour of extremely hard work I found I had written eleven short essays on a wide range of social, political, philosophical, and human biological topics . . . I have used them in university commencement addresses, public lectures, and in my books.

. . . If I find in the morning a message from myself the night before informing me that there is a world around us which we barely sense, or that we can become one with the universe, or even that certain politicians are desperately frightened men, I may tend to

nell. Conversations with Sagan were "intense," not relaxed affairs, says Soter. When Carl was excited by an idea, he focused on it like a laser beam. "He wanted to see where ideas would lead." For some, Sagan's intellectual intensity bordered on abrasiveness. For example, he insisted that the clouds of Venus were water-ice crystals. But a number of astronomers believed that the clouds

and was unswayed by his yearnings for extraterrestrial life. This is a half-truth. In fact, he tried to have his cake and eat it too: to follow the data and keep open the possibility of a romantic, old-fashioned, habitable Venus. He argued that balloon animals might inhabit the Venusian upper atmosphere, far above the searing surface; and that future astronauts might terraform Ve-

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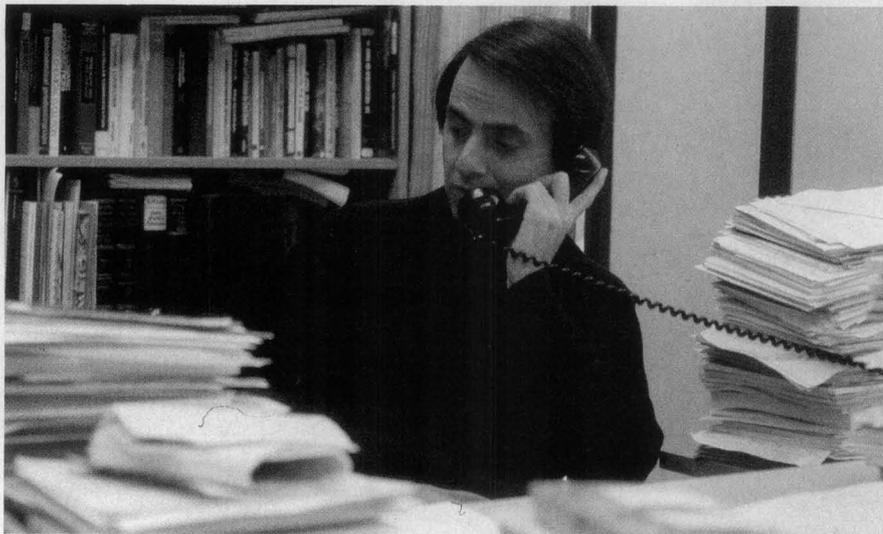
were some sort of dust. If the clouds were dust, they threatened Sagan's greenhouse hypothesis. Dense dust clouds would block sunlight, preventing

nus into a pleasant, habitable realm.

Ironically, Sagan was quick to accuse his critics of having psychological motives. Previously, he had acknowledged to himself his tendency to see his own faults in other people. He did the same thing in the scientific debate about Venus. Sagan projected onto his critics the "desperation" he increasingly felt, as space exploration slowly exposed the bleak reality of the inner solar system: wastelands of baking rocks, not nurseries for exotic biota.

No one can blame Sagan for fiercely defending his Venus theory. He had much at stake. The theory was, at that time, his sole strong claim to scientific fame. (The Mariner 9 space mission, which would verify his and Pollack's theory of Martian dust, was several years away.) Besides, Sagan was almost thirty-five, which for American males is the half-way moment between the cradle and the grave—a moment tense with symbolism, especially for fanatical careerists. If the Venus work fell through, then what would happen to his already shaky reputation?

Sagan's greenhouse model for Venus wasn't the only endangered part of his doctoral thesis. So was his hypothesis about life on the moon. It would be tested soon, in July 1969, when the first astronauts were scheduled to set foot there. Throughout the 1960s, Sagan continued to take seriously the possibility of lunar life. He believed that hu-



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disbelieve; but when I'm high I know about this disbelief. And so I have a tape in which I exhort myself to take such remarks seriously. I say "Listen closely, you sonofabitch of the morning! This stuff is real!"

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Intellectually, Sagan made an instant impression on his new associates at Cor-

it from reaching the surface. Conceivably, the Venusian surface might be pitch-black, contradicting Sagan's premise that the intense heat emanated from there.

But Sagan perhaps also had psychological reasons for clinging to his water-ice clouds theory. Decades later, he would claim that he evaluated Venus and Mars based solely on the data

mans could do useful research on the Moon, but he opposed sending them there as early as NASA planned. Still, driven by cold war pressures, NASA planned to land humans on the Moon by 1969. Sagan and others feared that astronauts might inadvertently bring lunar microbes back to Earth, and that these might trigger a terrestrial epidemic.

To protect Earth, NASA developed



its controversial “quarantine” program. The astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin were scheduled to land in the Lunar Excursion Module. On the Moon, Armstrong and Aldrin would collect rocks. After landing in the Pacific, they would use a vacuum cleaner to sweep up dust inside the capsule, just in case it contained any lunar life forms. When a frogman opened the capsule door, he would give them isolation garments to don. From there, the astronauts would be flown to the main quarantine facility—the \$16 million Lunar Receiving Laboratory in Houston. They would be quarantined inside the facility for three weeks. If they showed no ill effects, then they could leave.

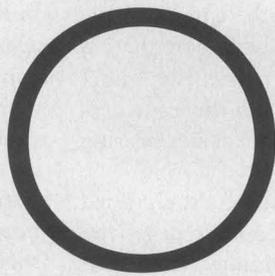
To some, the quarantine was a joke. Skeptics feared that as soon as the frogman opened the capsule door, lunar microbes would escape into the atmosphere and the ocean. *Time* quoted one pro-quarantine microbiologist at Cornell as saying: “Of course, it’s a sham, but what else could we do?”

Sagan lectured the astronauts prior to their lunar landing. However, he was not a major figure in NASA’s quarantine project, as popular accounts sometimes imply. So one imagines that his colleagues grimaced when *Time* magazine ran his photo in a June 1969 story about the quarantine project, one month before the Apollo 11 landing.

The article asked: “Is the Earth Safe From Lunar Contamination?” In the photo, Sagan looked tall, skinny, and serious, wearing a dark coat and tie; he leaned, with one foot on a table, before a Stanley Miller-style experiment. The quarantine was worthwhile, he assured *Time*: “Maybe it’s sure to 99 percent that Apollo 11 will not bring back lunar organisms, but even that one percent of uncertainty is too large to be complacent about.” This was not the last time that Sagan’s charisma and ease with the press caused him, through no fault of his own, to receive star billing in a project managed by others.



July 16, 1969. The historian David Nye would later observe that tourists came to Cape Canaveral like pilgrims to Mecca; they worshipped the Apollo vehicle as if it were “a sacred object.” The rocket launch was an indisputably awe-inspiring experience. The eeriest thing was that for the first few seconds, one heard no sound; a fireball ascended skyward in perfect silence, applauded solely by the clapping Atlantic waves. Then suddenly the sound wave hit: an immense growl, from all directions, like a biblical Revelation.



ON JULY 20, 1969, Armstrong, the commander of Apollo 11, set foot on the Sea of Tranquility. He and his colleague, Aldrin, collected many pounds of rocks. When they

returned to Earth, they spent a few weeks in the quarantine chamber. Meanwhile, geologists wearing special gloves examined the rock samples in enclosed chambers, obliged—thanks to Sagan and other scientific advisers—to go through complex and tiresome quarantine procedures when they were itching to get their hands on the rocks right away. “A lot of people, especially geologists, were furious at me for the difficulty I made [for] them,” Carl later admitted. One unnamed geologist compared Carl to the Black Plague.

Tommy Gold was one of the scientists scheduled to receive a lunar sample from Apollo 11. To analyze the sample, he made arrangements to use a “very good scanning electron microscope” at a Corning Glass plant a few hours’ drive from Cornell. “Sagan was extremely keen to come along and did so, evidently because he thought he might find the remains of living creatures in the dust.” At the plant, they stared at a TV image of microscopic features on the lunar sample. There were no fossils. Sagan was disappointed, Gold recalls. But there was plenty of humble pie to be eaten. The Moon proved to be very different from what some top brains had expected. Gold, for example, had thought its surface might be covered with deep dust and crevasses, which might swallow astronauts. That didn’t happen.

Sagan was a contradiction. To critics, the young astronomer was a reckless speculator. But to laypeople absorbed by pseudosciences and occultism, Sagan was the Dark Prince of skepticism—the party pooper who coldly shot down their ideas about UFOs, psychic phenomena, and other goofiness. By the 1960s, Sagan had long since rejected the thesis that UFOs are extraterrestrial spaceships. Yet he could not quite put them out of his mind. Like a disappointed lover, he continued to hang around this subject. He discussed it with reporters, testified about saucers before Congress, served on an Air Force UFO panel, personally investigated lurid UFO reports, and starred in the first scientific “debate” on the subject. Sentimental journeys, all.

By the mid-1960s, the saucer fad had almost disappeared. Perhaps the elusive discs had gone the way of phrenology, spiritualism, sea monsters, and other denizens of “silly seasons” past. But in the summer of 1965, as *Mariner 4* flew by Mars and the Vietnam War escalated, Americans started seeing strange things in the sky. In Michigan, rural residents freaked out as spooky glows hovered in nearby swamps. The Michiganites were not happy when the Air Force’s astronomy adviser, J. Allen Hynek, suggested they had seen marsh gas, naturally combusting methane gas from decaying vegetation. Michigan Rep. Gerald Ford (the future U.S. president) called for a federal investigation.

From his office at Harvard, Sagan probably watched the latest saucer wave with nostalgia. By that time, he was a saucer skeptic, as he assured reporters who called him for quotes about the UFO wave. "There's not the slightest bit of evidence to convince us that the Earth has been visited by creatures from other planets," he told *U.S. News and World Report*.

Sagan served on an Air Force UFO advisory panel, the O'Brien committee. The committee (named for its head scientist Brian O'Brien) evaluated the Air Force's official saucer project, Blue Book. Although depicted in a subsequent TV series as an expensive, computerized outfit, Blue Book was in fact a backwater operation, with a few staffers and filing cabinets crammed into an office at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base. Blue Book was primarily for show. The Air Force had not taken UFOs seriously for years but felt it had to keep up appearances to deal with inquiries from UFO-titillated members of Congress and their constituents. If UFOs represented an unknown physical phenomenon, Blue Book would never figure it out. So Sagan and the rest of the O'Brien committee advised the Air Force to commission an independent, full-scale scientific study. The result was the controversial Condon Commission, chaired by noted physicist E. U. Condon.

ON JULY 29, 1968, Sagan testified on UFOs before the U.S. House of Representatives Committee on Science and Astronautics, chaired by Rep.

make him a skeptic, McKay's *Extraordinary Popular Delusions and the Madness of Crowds*. While "a moderate support of investigations of UFOs might very well have some scientific paydirt in it," Sagan maintained that "if Congress is interested in a pursuit of the question of extraterrestrial life, I believe it would be much better advised to support the biology, the Mariner and Voyager programs of NASA, and the radio astronomy programs of the National Science Foundation, than to pour very much money into this study of UFOs."

Perplexed, Representative Roush pressed Sagan for more specifics: "I'm not real sure, Dr. Sagan, whether you stated whether there is or whether there is not extraterrestrial life. I was watching for that, and I don't believe I heard you."

Sagan responded: "Congressman Roush, I have enough difficulty trying to determine if there's intelligent life on Earth, to be sure if there's intelligent life anywhere else." (General laughter.) "If we knew there was life on other planets, then we would be able to save ourselves a lot of agony finding out. It is just because the problem is so significant, and we don't have the answers at hand, we need to pursue the subject. I don't know. It beats me . . ."

"I might mention that, on this symposium, there are no individuals who strongly disbelieve in the extraterrestrial origin of UFOs and therefore there is a certain view, not necessarily one I strongly agree with—but there is a certain view this committee is not hearing today, along those lines."

This clumsy last sentence, cluttered with Sagan's beloved double negatives, led to misunderstandings later. Was Sagan saying he felt more sympathy for UFO buffs than he had admitted? So saucer fans suspected. They began whispering that Sagan was secretly one of them. The myth that Sagan was a closeted UFOlogist persisted past his death: in 1997, the short-lived TV series "Dark Skies" depicted Sagan as one of its characters. This fictional Sagan secretly advised the military how to handle the alien menace, liked to use the word "billions," and in general resembled a bad parody on "Saturday Night Live."

Sagan's willingness to join in the UFO show sent a clear signal: he might

be a new boy at Cornell, but he wasn't toning down his act. The life of the cloistered scholar was not for Sagan. Within a few years, he would become an even more overt celebrity, one who rubbed elbows with TV and movie stars in Johnny Carson's green room. And he would become more outspoken politically, particularly on the war and feminism.

In 1971, Sagan was one of eighteen authors of a book critical of the Nixon Administration's bombing raids on Vietnam. A year later, in his book *The Cosmic Connection*, he unleashed his harshest antimilitary prose to date. He also made subtle digs—for example, noting the comparative cheapness of a SETI search, which "costs about the same as the replacement costs of U.S. aircraft shot down over Vietnam in Christmas week, 1972."

Still, Sagan was not yet the firebrand he would become during the "nuclear winter" controversy of the 1980s. During the late 1960s, Cornell nuclear physicist Hans Bethe and many other scientists attacked the Johnson and Nixon administrations' plans for the proposed anti-ballistic missile (ABM) system. Advocates claimed ABM would shoot down Soviet ICBMs; opponents said it would accelerate the arms race. Sagan's friend Dale Cruikshank, an astronomer, considered getting involved in the debate, but Sagan cautioned him against doing so. Sagan wasn't totally paranoid; the cold war had injured many promising scientific careers, including that of Cornell chemist Franklin Asbury Long. The Nixon Administration planned to nominate Long to head the National Science Foundation, then withdrew the nomination when he criticized the ABM system. The administration restored the nomination after scientists protested, but Long ultimately declined it.

The safest scientific foes of militarism were those who—like Bethe, Linus Pauling, and others—were already famous. Sagan likely didn't feel famous enough to take the risks they did. Not yet.

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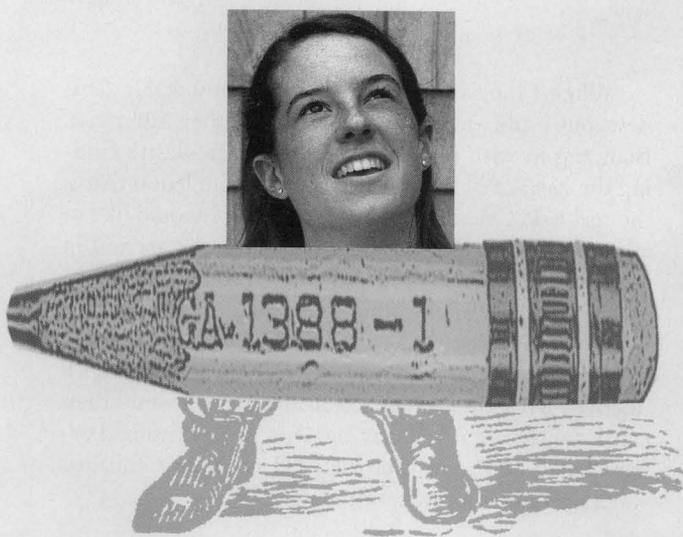
When it comes to the business of getting into college, says Director of Undergraduate Admissions Nancy Hargrave Meislahn '75, "there is nothing passive about it—on either side." A generation ago, top students gravitated toward the best school in their state; now they look nationally. Applicants used to wait until junior spring to ask for the Big Red Book. Now, Meislahn says, "we have some students who contact us as eighth graders." On the university side, the days of luring prospects with just a few pieces of mail are long gone. Aspiring Cornellians are recruited through alumni volunteers, phonathons, college fairs, campus visits, and evening programs in their hometowns. This year, those efforts garnered 19,949 applications for the Class of 2003. Of those, one-third (6,561) were accepted and 3,228 decided to attend Cornell, for a yield of 49 percent. The freshman class that arrived on campus in August is 47 percent female; 27 percent are minorities (12 percent underrepresented) and 12 percent are legacies.

Like just about everything else, the admissions process has seen a technological shake-up lately. Forget sending postcards and waiting for brochures; many students go right to the university's website and some apply over the Internet. But although the mechanics may be changing, Meislahn says, "the heart of the process is still very much the same." That means students still have to face that dreaded rite of passage: the personal essay ("Herbert Spencer said 'the great aim of education is not knowledge but action.' Discuss. . .").

Cornell Magazine asked admissions officers to choose their favorite essays from the Class of 2003. Excerpts follow, one representing each college. They range from inspirational to whimsical, but all have one thing in common: their authors got in.

Right in the middle of my impersonation of Mr. Brewster, Inger stops me, eyes bugged and arms flailing. "You're right, he *does* clasp his hands together like that! That's incredible! You notice the little things about people's characters that no one else notices!" Inger must not be in the habit of using a person's idiosyncrasies to make a mental caricature of them, but the details come naturally to me,

because my parents are artists.



noon, as my dad moved an aluminum framework cut-out for one of his sculptures across the yard, two neighborhood boys stared at the shape of a naked man and woman. "Why did you do that?" they questioned my dad over and over. When they asked me, I said I had no idea. Why *shouldn't* he make naked people? A lot of impossible questions stumped me in those days.

Believe me, in middle school I wanted to pick out a plastic Halloween costume at the store like all the other kids. Being a Dixon Ticonderoga number two pencil embarrassed me. My parents and I spray-painted the cardboard hexagonal tube canary yellow and the tip cream with a black point. A gold-and-green band at the top connected the pink Styrofoam eraser to the body. The tube fit the full length of my head and torso, with two holes near the middle for my arms, and two holes by the pencil point for my legs. My legs had to straddle the tip of the pencil (which stuck so far down it scraped the ground), forcing me to waddle. Two dime-sized holes cut out for my eyes made it impossible to see. My embarrassment wasn't the half of it; maneuvering that hot, tight-fitting apparatus practically ran me into the ground.

It took going away to St. Paul's School to make me realize that I took a house full of artists for granted. I

To put it one way, I never got to host a Chuck-E-Cheese birthday party. For my fifth birthday, my dad bought fifteen red plastic firemen's hats and taped them to helium balloons. From the street, you could see all these firemen's hats floating around in our yard. By the time all the kids finally caught a hat for themselves, dusk had settled and perturbed moms waited in the street with their cars running. On other birthdays, we had treasure hunts, intricately mapped out and illustrated. Birthday cakes took the shape of gorillas, cats, pigs, old lady heads, and turtles.

By the time I entered elementary school, four assistants worked at my parents' studio, which was also my house, and I had become much more aware that I lived surrounded by art-in-progress. One after-

took eccentric Halloween costumes for granted. I took coming home from school to see the completion of five new life-size "Circus" vases, and mom's seven new neck pieces and brooches, and hearing the grinder, the sandblaster, and the commotion in the studio for granted. I took it all for granted because I am a product of creativity. My parents have introduced me to many imaginative possibilities in life, and they have taught me the importance of details. Because of my parents' influence, I see the art in everything. Inger picked up on my mental caricature of Mr. Brewster, and sure, I can impersonate people. But that is not what my parents taught me. They taught me to observe, and the way I observe defines who I am.

Architecture, Art & Planning

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Activities: Dorm proctor, editor
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Intended Major: Fine Arts

Industrial & Labor Relations

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Activities: Community service club, National Honor Society, youth orchestra, yearbook executive editor

Major: Undecided

COCK-A-DOODLE? I REFUSE TO MAKE those senseless noises!" I replied. "Who's to say I can't fly? This pretend game is stupid," I said to my cousins, who crawled around on the floor as rats, dogs, and tigers. I never wanted to be a rooster. Why couldn't I be a dragon like my father or a snake like my uncle? I don't wake up before the sun rises unless I have my alarm clock, and I'm braver than a chicken. What, then, is the significance of the Chinese zodiac, and why pass on traditions set forth by my ancestors? My homeland is America. China is thousands of miles away and the culture there seems just as distant to me. However, when people ask me for my Chinese name or even ask me about my ancestry beyond my grandmother, I can't say that I really know. I can only reply that I am still trying to find out.

I bought a stone stamp in a hotel during my visit to China several years ago. At the top of the stone a rooster is carved in the sitting position with its head slightly turned; at the other end, my Chinese name is engraved. The purchase of the stone stamp was somewhat of an aberration, since my father was only in China to speak with his business partner. I do, however, remember the streets quite vividly. The people were like bees swarming around a hive. In the shadows, beggars with parched lips shook their mugs. Beeping horns and growling engines muffled the outbursts of the local meat and fruit vendors. Bicycles were piled on top of each other at the entrance of a factory where girls as young as fourteen came to work. I distanced myself from them; I considered myself a tourist in a foreign land. Could these possibly be the same streets that my ancestors labored on, and could I, American cultured citizen, be a descendant?

I hear second-hand that my grandmother, who left China forty-some-odd years ago, was escaping the Communists after they had killed her husband, but of course I've never heard her say that. I take so long to think of words in Chinese that it would be easier to play charades than to hold a conversation with my grandmother. For years my Chinese name has been no more than a label, something to respond to when my grandmother calls. I've known the meaning of those symbols since I was very young, though. "*Seng-Hua*" means "wake up China." Now when I take out that stone stamp from the green casket in which it lies, I am reminded of the heritage I have lost, or perhaps more accurately, the heritage I never chose to acknowledge.



When I look in the mirror I am unmistakably Chinese, but I talk, dress, and act like any other American. Blending in with my classmates isn't difficult. It's finding the balance between heritage and assimilation that is the real task. One day before it's too late, I would like to ask my grandmother how she felt when she arrived in America, or why she's afraid to go back to China to visit. Although I might never know all 25,000 characters in the Chinese language, I would like to learn enough to break the language barrier. When I know my past, I'll discover what the present means to me, and only then can I conjecture what may become of my future. Perhaps I will be the rooster that will wake up China, or wake up the China within me.

Human Ecology

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School: Saratoga Springs High School

Activities: Varsity tennis, business club, YMCA basketball team

Major: Human Biology, Health, and Society

YOU PROBABLY PICKED UP THIS PAPER expecting to read another declaration of admiration for Mother Theresa, or of someone's idolization of his or her father. However, the person that I have chosen, who has greatly influenced me, is you.

During the last few months, the very mention of your name was enough to keep me busy. "No, mom, I can't start my essay right now. I have to take out the garbage and do the dishes." Once I realized that I would have to complete this task if I wanted to have something to say for myself when I was older, other than "Do you want fries with that?" I sat down and thought about what I should send you. At first, I was

going to write about how I climbed the forty-six highest mountains in New York last year. I decided, however, that you deserved something more entertaining. With my luck, you are an avid backpacker. If so, let me add that I climbed all forty-six mountains in one month, and their beauty remains with me today. Next on my list was writing about my trips to England and Spain. I soon reconsidered. After realizing that you probably read hundreds of these kinds of essays every year, I decided you were worthy of something a little different to break the monotony. Finally, I arrived at this essay. It isn't much, but it is written with you in mind. Wait . . . that came out wrong.

The quality I most admire in you is your ability to learn the true nature of individuals through their compositions. When you read an essay, you are getting a peek at that person's character, and I'll bet you have fun doing it. I'm sure there are many times when you read an essay to the people sitting around you, and the room explodes in laughter—and they're not always laughing *with* the author, either. I'm sure admissions offices of colleges and universities around the usa, Cornell to, have recieved essayes with spelling and punctuation errors'. There are the lazy, careless essays: "I have wanted to attend Harva Cornell all my life." The rich snob papers must be easy to spot: "'How I Spent My Summer Vacation,' by J. Thaddeus Rutherford III. Last year father and I spent our summer sailing to Tahiti. When we got to the island, I discovered that my adapter for my satellite video phone did not work. I learned a valuable lesson: you cannot appreciate what you have until it is gone." Even Big Red can't be spared the occasional hillbilly composition: "When me and Pa shot our first ten-point buck together last summer, and we strapped him to the top of the Chevy, I knew I was ready for Cornell to learn me good." Of course, with my luck, you probably decorate your living room with the heads of deer and own a second home in Tahiti. If so, please place a large X through the preceding paragraph.

From you I have gained the knowledge that I do not have to write an essay praising Ezra Cornell to have a chance at attending his university. I have learned that once I apply myself, I not only get things done, but get them done well. I know now that I do not have to conform my writing to a certain mold; I can feel free to express what I am thinking. Besides, I do not fit a mold. I am built on many experiences that have been important in my life. I am a hiker, I am a traveler, I am a thinker, and I even have a sense of humor. These components make me who I am. You have helped me to realize and acknowledge this. Of course, with my luck, you probably have not understood a single word you have read, have fallen asleep twice, and feel a massive migraine coming on. If so, I extend my sincere apologies. If by some slim stroke of luck you happened to like this essay, then as Superman would say, "My work here is done."

Engineering

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School: Blind Brook High School

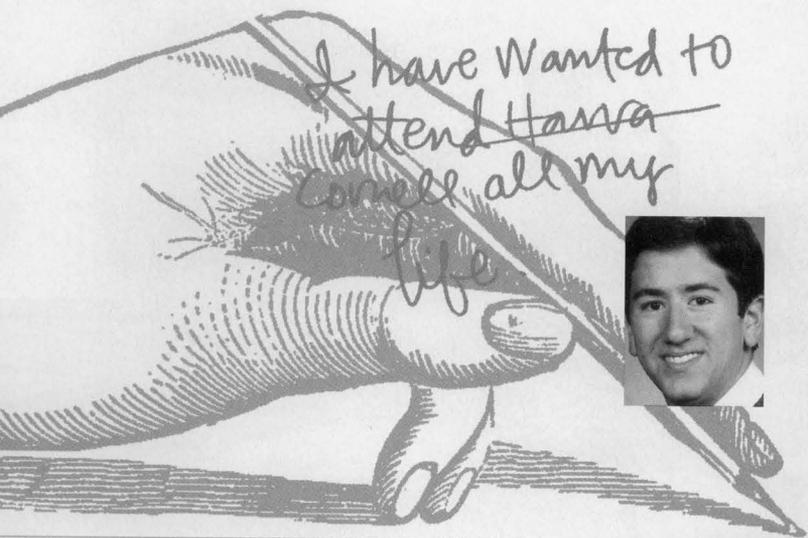
Activities: Varsity ice hockey goalie; editor of school literary magazine; captain of math team

Intended Major: Computer Science

I REMEMBER BEING AFRAID TO WALK NEAR THE yellow warning line that runs the length of the platform at train stations. I have a hunch my fear spawned from a seven o'clock news bulletin about someone falling to his demise off the platform at Grand Central Station. I would have nightmares about some maniac nudging me off the Canal Street platform as the Number 6 train rolled into view.

Yellow lines aren't exactly what I planned to write about. It's just that yellow lines might be the only things separating me from the next run-of-the-mill American teenager. Well, yellow lines and trains. If you had asked me to tell you about the one thing that has captivated me the most during my celebrated, long, major-motion-picture, Pulitzer Prize-winning epic story of a life, this is what I would have told you.

By the time I was five years old, trains had become more than just a means of transportation. When I wasn't on one, I was dreaming of being on one. Although always petrified of the yellow line that threatened to keep me away from the object of my affection, a quick blink of the eyes and a swift little leap of the legs managed to get me on my way. A lifelong captivation began from my very first ride when my father placed me in the front car to look out the window. I loved the soothing and fluid motions the train made as it rolled along the track accompanying the silky





smooth scenery that flew by.

In my early years, trains governed the direction of my family's vacations. Opening a book on trains was like looking through a family album. My favorite photograph is a black-and-white snapshot of a roaring freight train emerging from

a run-down village in rural Greece during World War II. The booming train scattered a charcoal mist over the whitewashed stone homes as it pulled its heavy load. Sometimes it seemed the train was carrying on its back the burden of the town's hope for better times. Trains have always given me hope; watching them pull so much weight for so long makes my own load seem light in comparison. Riding a train helps me put sad thoughts behind me. When I ride a train, I try to leave my weighty cargo at the platform. Concerns about school, girls, an upcoming hockey game seem to dissipate as the train slowly pulls away from the platform. I feel unburdened and free.

Years later, my love for trains is still as strong, even as I've begun to grow fond of airplanes, and the majestic way they break boundaries and glide through the limitless sky. Lately, I've thought about the lines that my childhood fears kept me from crossing, how they almost kept me from realizing my love of trains, and how much we stand to lose if we remain prisoners of those lines in our lives. Nowadays, in defiance of those fears, I make it a point to step on the yellow line.

Hotel Administration

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School: Concord-Carlisle High School

Activities: Yearbook editor, bass clarinet, peer mediation

Intended Major: Undecided

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SPEND A FEW hours a week with our elderly neighbors. Please call Ron at Carlisle Council on Aging." When I saw the ad, I knew this opportunity was exactly what I was looking for. I had been considering a community service project that would be more than just a fulfillment of the obligation required by my school. I wanted to make a difference.

Two days later I sat in Ron's office as he told me about Evelyn. She lived alone, she enjoyed the company of teenagers, and she had a thousand stories. But one thing Ron mentioned caused me some anxiety. For many years Evelyn had worked as a seamstress. It was her desire to pass this craft along to the younger gener-

ation. It's not that I have anything against sewing, but fine motor skills are not my strong point. I was the kid in camp whose arts and crafts project never even resembled the model. Whether it was from the kind-hearted camp counselor who would encircle me from behind and with nimble fingers undo my catastrophe, or the impatient one whose unmasked disapproval caused me to wish I were invisible, the message was loud and clear. I was a klutz!

When I arrived at Evelyn's house I was welcomed by a thick southern accent. "Is that my little girlfriend? Jessica, is that you?"

Barefooted, hair awry, wearing a rumpled cotton dress, at six feet Evelyn was a far cry from the little old lady I had expected. One look around the room told me that an escape from an apprenticeship as a dressmaker would be impossible. Evelyn's house was the epitome of a pack rat gone wild. Fabric in bolts, stacks, and trash barrels—forty-three to be exact—took the place of lamps, tables, and chairs. We stumbled through the rubble to the sewing room which held five sewing machines in varying states of disrepair. The cutting table was piled high with half-finished projects. As she cleared a place for us to work, she shared her philosophy of living. "Bored people are boring," she said. "For every project I finish, I make sure I have a hundred waiting." Looking around, I wondered if any were ever completed.

She navigated her way through the clutter, sat at the one working machine, and declared, "Honey, we're going to teach you to sew."

During my first few visits, I repeatedly failed to master the fine art of stitching in a straight line. By my third visit, when it became obvious to both of us that it was unlikely I would triumph over the sewing machine, Evelyn gave me a needle and thread. My ineptitude turned out to be a blessing. If I had spent my time focusing on sewing, my closet today might hold a handcrafted wardrobe. But that could not have compared to all I gained by giving my full attention to Evelyn.



At seventy-nine years old, Evelyn is in constant pain. Walking, eating, even breathing are a struggle. Yet she greets every morning with gratitude and enthusiasm for what possibilities the day might hold. She has an insatiable appetite for life. Strewn among her dated fashion magazines and boxes of dress patterns are numerous Time-Life books. "There's just so much to know about this world," she told me.

In the year we have been together, Evelyn has made me, among other things, a paisley pantsuit, perfect for my grandmother; a reversible denim wrap-around skirt which adds ten pounds to my body weight; and a mustard velveteen "party dress" similar to one Evelyn admired on Jacqueline Kennedy. Even though these outfits will remain unworn, I can't bear to part with them. They hang in my closet, a reminder of the hours Evelyn and I have spent together.

I still can't sew a button on without stabbing myself, but now whenever I am tempted to throw a pity party because of a tough exam or a cranky boss, I think about Evelyn and the obstacles she faces with courage, optimism, and humor. When I began this venture I had hoped that, in some small way, I could change Evelyn's life. I never expected that Evelyn would change mine.

Arts & Sciences

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Activities: Varsity soccer and tennis,
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concert master of school orchestra

Intended Majors: Chemistry and Economics

HERE IS OFTEN SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL, there is always something awful, in the spectacle of a person who has lost one of his faculties, a faculty he never questioned until it was gone, and who struggles to recover it."

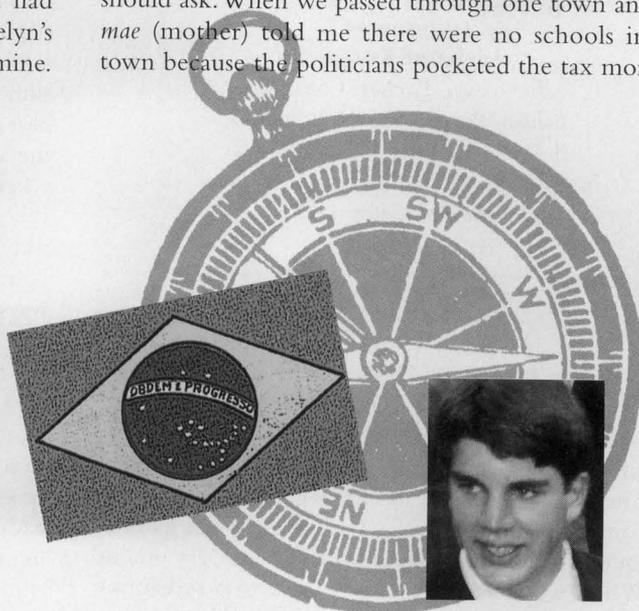
I was sprawled out on my bed reading James Baldwin's *Stranger in the Village*. The wind carried the clinking of cowbells and the screeches of monkeys. I peered out at the hammock swinging idly on the balcony and at the palm trees moving in the distance. I had arrived in Natal, the capital of the most impoverished state in Brazil, as an American Field Service exchange student. I was welcomed by Brazilians feverishly shaking miniature green and yellow flags with an emotional warmth rarely expressed in the U.S. Their energy was overwhelming, and I was eager to experience this rich and unfamiliar culture.

During the first couple of days in my rural village of Currais Novos, however, I learned that I had lost two of my cherished "faculties": my ability to communicate, and my privacy. As the son of two professors, I was al-

ways encouraged to voice my opinions and express my feelings. Now, I was tortured by being silenced due to my lack of knowledge of Portuguese, and I focused my attention on soaking up the vocabulary, the rhythm, and the melody of the rural Brazilian dialect. As an only child, I never encountered the distractions of a younger sibling watching me or an older brother threatening me. Now, being tossed into a household with five extroverted Brazilians infringed upon a privacy I had never appreciated until it was gone.

My relatively pale skin and green eyes drew everyone's attention in the town. I could not ride down the street in a car without everyone staring at me. My brothers felt no shame in questioning me about anything. After breakfast one morning, I found my brothers and their friends sifting through my boxer shorts, trying to determine which they found most appealing and why they had never seen me wear them.

After a few weeks, I began to anticipate the unabashed eyes and to expect the lack of privacy. I found myself losing my inhibitions about the questions I should ask. When we passed through one town and my *mae* (mother) told me there were no schools in the town because the politicians pocketed the tax money, I



asked why the state would allow that to happen. Out of politeness or shyness, I would never have asked such a question before. Soon, I was able to laugh with my family about stories such as one in a local newspaper about a mayoral election. It seems a man ran his goat against the incumbent; when it looked like the goat might win, someone allegedly poisoned the animal. I asked my *pai* (father) if Brazilians took politics at all seriously.

When I first read Baldwin that day, I asked myself: "How is this black man who grew up poor in Harlem speaking so directly to me, a white male living in the suburbs, attending a private school?" I finally learned the initial awfulness and the subsequent beauty of losing certain faculties—an experience which began with me being the "stranger in the village" and ended with me becoming part *brasileiro* forever.



Agriculture & Life Sciences

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Hometown: Parker, Colorado

School: Ponderosa High School

Activities: Varsity soccer, violin,
president of Spanish Honor Society

Intended Major: Plant Science

TO A, MY AWESOME OLDER SISTER, LOVE B," READ the Tazmanian Devil card that accompanied the singing Val-O-Gram my brother had organized to embarrass me on Valentine's Day. Little did he know that the tiny word "older" caused me to evaluate our relationship and my entire life.

You see, I'm not Brendan's older sister and I'm not his younger sister either. We're triplets, but a very unique set. When we were born prematurely in a screaming emergency on Labor Day, a stroke of luck allowed us to live, and placed me first in the birth order. As the first one delivered, I was protected from cerebral palsy, a neurological defect caused by oxygen starvation at birth. Brendan and Christine weren't so fortunate. Because I was shielded from CP, I have developed more rapidly mentally and socially than my siblings and was placed a year ahead in school. That advancement has dramatically shaped my life. I often question why I was chosen to be the gifted child, the "survivor." What responsibility do I now carry to succeed? These feelings of luck and guilt are not the only motivation to attain my goals, but they are a complicating factor. My situation has both blessed and burdened me, but has granted me insight unparalleled by any other experience I have encountered.

Being ahead of Brendan and Christine has presented me with many challenges. The greatest, however, is

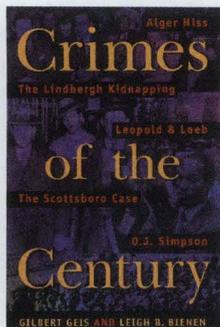
balancing between two roles, the older sister and the triplet sister. With the exception of a few "I'm tired of taking care of B and C" outbursts as a child, I've assumed my position naturally and willingly. The toughest part of our relationship, besides the extreme test of sharing a car (that deserves an essay of its own), is knowing when my sibs are looking up to me to lead, or when it is best to experience life as one of three. In some ways, our relationship acts as a safety net, in that we can branch off and attack the world individually, but we always know we can return to each other for support.

As I deal with this paradox, I often find myself paving the way. I was the one who charged forward, alone, into middle and high school, to be followed by my T's a year later. I was the first to play a varsity sport, learn an instrument, go to a party, have a boyfriend, apply to college. With each new experience, I relay my findings back to my brother and sister, like an astronaut explaining the surface of a new planet to the mother ship. My siblings do not live vicariously through me, however. They glean tips from me and learn from my mistakes, but they still have a future full of lessons they must learn for themselves.

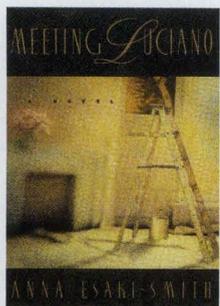
The duality of my roles, as the elder and as the triplet, has granted me a unique perspective. Playing the older sister has instilled in me leadership qualities and has developed my sense of maturity. Acting as the triplet sister has imparted a sense of belonging and the ability to function as part of a larger entity. Searching for an equilibrium has led me to discover that there is an inherent duality to life, and that one of life's most substantial challenges is reconciling its dichotomies. Once balance is attained, so is peace. I bring with me to campus this quest for peace and my diverse viewpoints, relationship skills, and unusual life lessons, in hopes that I may use them to navigate the road of life and share them with passengers along the way.

In Brief

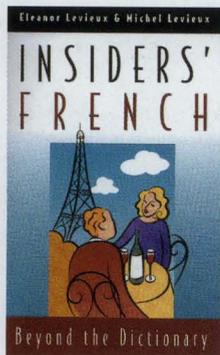
CRIMES OF THE CENTURY by Leigh Buchanan Bienen '59, BA '60, and Gilbert Geis (Northeastern University Press). Bienen, a senior lecturer at Northwestern University's law school, and Geis, professor emeritus of criminology at the University of California, Irvine, analyze infamous cases: Leopold and Loeb, the Scottsboro Boys, Alger Hiss, the Lindbergh kidnapping, and O.J. Simpson.



MEETING LUCIANO by Anna Esaki-Smith '83 (Algonquin). In her first novel, the Asia-based *Newsweek* correspondent writes of a sixty-year-old Japanese divorcée who renovates her suburban New York house in anticipation of a visit by Luciano Pavarotti. The book is narrated by the woman's college-age daughter, who fears her mother may be losing her grip on reality.



INSIDERS' FRENCH by Eleanor Ross Levieux '59 and Michel Levieux (University of Chicago). In this informal dictionary and cultural reference book, the Franco-American couple defines hundreds of terms that have entered the vernacular in the 1990s. Designed for tourists and Francophiles alike, the guide addresses such vexing linguistic mysteries as how to avoid *vache folle* (mad cow disease) at the *hypermarché* (huge supermarket).



R E C E N T L Y
P U B L I S H E D

GOTTFRIED KELLER AND HIS CRITICS: A CASE STUDY IN SCHOLARLY CRITICISM by Richard Ruppel, PhD '85 (Camden House). Ruppel, a German professor at the University of Wisconsin, Stevens Point, explores 150 years of criticism of the nineteenth-century Swiss author's work.

THE CHIANG MAI CHRONICLE translated by David Wyatt, PhD '63, and Aronrut Wichienkeo (University of Washington Press, second edition). Cornell history professor Wyatt and his co-author translate this 1827 history of the Chang Mai region in what is now Northern Thailand.

STUDIES IN SOUTH ASIAN LINGUISTICS by James Gair, PhD '63, edited by Barbara Lust (Oxford University Press). Modern languages professor Gair's papers, with discussion of the structure and use of South Asian languages and their relationship to linguistic theory, edited by human development professor Lust.

THE ORGANIZATION OF THE FIRM: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS PERSPECTIVES (Routledge) & **ECONOMIC AND MANAGEMENT METHODS FOR TOURISM AND HOSPITALITY RESEARCH** (John Wiley & Sons). Two business books co-edited by Shreeram Mudambi, PhD '86.

GEOMEMBRANES AND THE CONTROL OF EXPANSIVE SOILS IN CONSTRUCTION (McGraw Hill) by Malcolm Steinberg '47, BCE '46. A civil engineering text, part of a series edited by M. D. Morris '44, BA '76.

"I'M NOT MAD, I JUST HATE YOU!" by Roni Cohen-Sandler '77 and Michelle Silver (Viking). Cohen-Sandler, a clinical psychologist specializing in women and adolescent girls, co-authors a guide to understanding the mother-daughter conflict during the turbulent teenage years.

ROWING AGAINST THE CURRENT by Barry Strauss '74 (Scribner). The Cornell history professor and director of the university's Peace Studies program reflects on learning to scull at age forty.

BIOINFORMATICS: A PRACTICAL GUIDE TO THE ANALYSIS OF GENES AND PROTEINS by Andreas Baxevanis '84 and B. F. Francis Ouellette (John Wiley & Sons). A reference work for molecular biologists and geneticists.

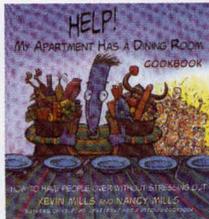
THE GRAD SCHOOL HANDBOOK by Margot Poritsky Jerrard '47 and Richard Jerrard (Perigee). A guide to choosing the right graduate program.

OPERA, STATE, AND SOCIETY IN THE THIRD REPUBLIC, 1875-1914 by André Michael Spies '69 (Peter Lang). Spies, a history professor at Hollins College, examines the social and political content of the repertoires of the Opéra and Opéra-Comique in Belle Epoque Paris.

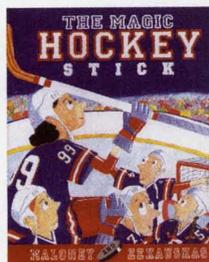
THE CHOSEN LIVES OF CHILDFREE MEN by Patricia Wells Lunneborg '55 (Bergin & Garvey). The retired University of Washington psychology professor analyzes the motivations behind the decision not to have children, based on interviews with thirty men.

THE GREAT JEWISH CITIES OF CENTRAL AND EASTERN EUROPE by Eli Valley '92 (Jason Aronson). A resource and guide to Prague, Warsaw, Cracow, and Budapest.

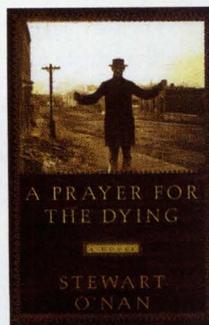
HELP! MY APARTMENT HAS A DINING ROOM by Kevin Mills '93 and Nancy Dunhoff Mills '64 (Houghton Mifflin). The authors of *Help! My Apartment has a Kitchen* offer recipes and entertaining advice for newly independent twenty-somethings. (It's subtitled "How to Have People Over Without Stressing Out.") Each recipe—created by Nancy, tested by Kevin—includes "Mom Tips" and "Mom Warnings." Sample caution: "Don't drink iced liquids while you're eating cheese fondue, or you'll feel as if you swallowed a bowling ball."



THE MAGIC HOCKEY STICK by Felicia Zekauskas '84 and Peter Maloney (Penguin Putnam). The husband-and-wife authors of *Redbird at Rockefeller Center* offer an illustrated children's tale of a girl whose parents buy her Wayne Gretzky's stick at an auction. The magical bit of sports equipment turns the youngster into an ace player, but its absence sends the Great One into a slump—so it's up to her to save the day.



A PRAYER FOR THE DYING by Stewart O'Nan, MFA '92 (Henry Holt). O'Nan's fifth novel takes a chilling look at how the course of a deadly disease destroys the town of Friendship, Wisconsin. Set just after the Civil War, the story is told by Jacob Hansen, Friendship's sheriff, undertaker, and pastor. Burdened with life-and-death responsibilities as the town's social structure falls apart, Hansen makes excruciating choices in an effort to save the people he loves.



RECENTLY PUBLISHED

ON THE LOOSE: BIG CITY DAYS AND NIGHTS OF THREE SINGLE WOMEN by Melissa Roth '89 (William Morrow). A celebratory look at a growing demographic: women in their late twenties and thirties who are happily single.

MOVING THE EARTH: THE WORKBOOK OF EXCAVATION by H. L. Nichols, revised by David Day '45, edited by M. D. Morris Jr. '44, BA '76 (McGraw Hill). Originally published in 1955, this reference book for construction contractors has been updated with new chapters on safety and environmental considerations.

DISSENT, INJUSTICE, AND THE MEANINGS OF AMERICA by Steven Shiffrin (Princeton University Press). The Cornell law professor and First Amendment expert argues that free speech and dissent are core American values that should not only be tolerated, but applauded.

JAGUAR TOTEM by Anne LaBastille '55, PhD '69 (West of the Wind). An account of LaBastille's ecological field trips, with a foreword by James Lassoie, chairman of Cornell's Department of Natural Resources.

CITIZENS OF SOMEWHERE ELSE by Dan McCall (Cornell University Press). An informal discussion of the works of Nathaniel Hawthorne and Henry James by the Cornell professor of English and American studies.

FOOD AND FEED CROPS OF THE UNITED STATES by George Markle '62, Jerry Baron, and Bernard Schneider (Meister). Descriptions of 1,000 crop species.

RATIONALITY GONE AWRY? DECISION MAKING INCONSISTENT WITH ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL THEORY by Hugh Schwartz '54 (Praeger). A discussion of economic rationality, geared toward audiences with some experience in finance.

ALTERED READING by Jill Robbins '78, BA '79 (University of Chicago). A literary approach to the work of ethical philosopher Emmanuel Levinas, in dialogue with readings by contemporary French authors.

INTERPRETING WEIGHT: THE SOCIAL MANAGEMENT OF FATNESS AND THINNESS & WEIGHTY ISSUES: FATNESS AND THINNESS AS SOCIAL PROBLEMS edited by Jeffrey Sobol & Donna Maurer (Aldine de Gruyter). Sobol, a Cornell nutrition professor, and Maurer, a sociologist and postdoctoral fellow at the university, offer two analyses on body image issues, with chapters written by sociologists, psychologists, and nutritionists.

Y2K AND YOUR MONEY by Harold Evensky '64, BCE '65, MS '67 (Sitting Duck). Evensky, a financial planner and mutual fund expert, gives advice on how to weather the millennium bug "hurricane."

UNEASY ASYLUM: FRANCE AND THE JEWISH REFUGEE CRISIS, 1933-1942 by Vicki Caron (Stanford University). The Mann professor of modern Jewish studies at Cornell explores how French attitudes toward Jewish refugees from Germany changed throughout World War II.

THE WRATH OF GRAPES by Lewis Perdue '72 (Spike). The founder of *Wine Business Monthly* explains how consumers can benefit from the industry's impending oversupply and financial problems.

How They Played

CORNELL'S SOFTBALL TEAM, already the most successful spring squad on the Hill after posting thirty-seven wins last year, kicked it up a notch in 1999, with a series of dramatic highlights in the final ten days of the season.

On April 25, pitchers Julie Westbrook '99 and Nicole Zitarelli '01 each tossed shutouts over Dartmouth, as the Big Red clinched its first-ever Ivy League championship (winning ten of eleven league games).

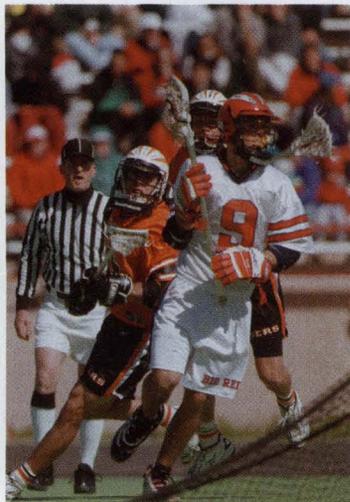
The title qualified the team to compete in the NCAA championship in just its sixth year as a varsity program. Six days later, Allison Batten '01 batted in nine runs in a doubleheader sweep of Central Connecticut. The victories, both shutouts, gave Cornell the school mark for wins in a season, surpassing last year's record.

But the Big Red wasn't done yet. On May 4, the team completed the regular season with a pair of games against Niagara. In the first game, a 10-1 triumph, Westbrook struck out seven batters, giving her 135 strikeouts on the year, which broke her own single-season mark of 130 set in 1997. The Ivy League Pitcher of the Year, Westbrook finished the regular season with a 20-6 record, a 1.05 ERA, and nine shutouts, including a no-hitter against Towson in March, the first in Big Red softball history. In the second game of the season-ending doubleheader, an 8-0 victory, Zitarelli matched her teammate by tossing the first no-hitter of her career. She was 21-3 during the regular season with a 1.20 ERA and eight shutouts.

In all, the Big Red won forty-one of fifty regular season games (a .820 winning percentage), produced one fifteen-game and another nine-game winning streak, won twelve games by at

least an eight-run margin, and outscored its opponents 271-90. The team batting average was .299, led by All-Ivy second baseman Tracy Quinn '00, who followed last season's .408 average with a .361 mark, including a team-record fifteen doubles. Freshman outfielder Eva Nahorniak, the Ivy League Rookie of the Year, batted .336 with seven home runs.

Baseball. Not every season on the diamond turned out to be a gem. The team struggled, especially in the early going when it followed a season-opening win with thirteen straight losses. The Big Red finished 12-28 overall (7-12 Ivy), but there were some individual highlights. Freshman second baseman Andrew Luria topped the team with a .363 average, while senior co-captain Michael Macrie batted .353 with a team-best .564 slugging percentage and ten stolen bases.



TIM MCKINNEY '81

BACK FROM THE BRINK, MEN'S LACROSSE REBOUNDS

Lacrosse. The men's squad continues its rebound under coach Dave Pietramala. After having gone eight straight years without a winning record in the Ivy League, the Big Red produced its second consecutive 4-2 conference mark. A 12-5 triumph over SUNY, Stony Brook, to end the season gave Cornell (7-6 overall) its first winning campaign since 1995. A trio of seniors led the attack: Sean Steinwald (27 goals, 14 assists, 41 points), Josh Morgan (33, 7, 40) and Pat Dutton (21, 14, 35). Sophomore Andrew Schardt added twenty-two goals. Freshman goalie Justin Cynar allowed just over nine goals per game.

The women were led by a youth movement. Freshman Ginny Miles recorded forty-nine points (38 goals, 11 assists), the fourth-best total in team history, giving her first-team All-Ivy honors. Classmates Jaimee Reynolds (second-team All-Ivy) and Lori Wohlschlegel added forty and thirty-

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MEN'S AND WOMEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

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FIELD HOCKEY

Home Games: Schoellkopf Field • Sept. 4 Skidmore (exhibition) • Sept. 10 Rhode Island at Stamford HS (CT) • Sept. 12 at Sacred Heart • Sept. 18 at Princeton • Sept. 22 Colgate • Sept. 24 Kent • Sept. 26 Pennsylvania • Oct. 1 Columbia • Oct. 5 Albany • Oct. 10 Harvard • Oct. 12 at Lafayette • Oct. 20 at Syracuse • Oct. 23 at Dartmouth • Oct. 24 at Holy Cross • Oct. 27 at Bucknell • Oct. 30 at Brown • Nov. 3 at Lehigh • Nov. 7 Yale

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Home Games: Schoellkopf Field • Sept. 18 Alumni (exhib.) • Sept. 24 Pennsylvania • Oct. 1 at Princeton • Oct. 15 at Navy • Oct. 22 Princeton • Oct. 29 at Pennsylvania • Nov. 5 Army

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GOLF

Home Meets: Robert Trent Jones Golf Course • Sept. 11-12 Cornell-Colgate Invitational • Sept. 17-18 at Bucknell Invitational • Oct. 3-4 at St. Bonaventure Invitational • Oct. 8-9 at Rutgers Invitational

MEN'S SOCCER

Home Games: Berman Field • Sept. 10 Albany • Sept. 12 at St. John's • Sept. 14 St. Bonaventure • Sept. 19 at Princeton • Sept. 22 Colgate • Sept. 25 at Pennsylvania • Sept. 28 at Fairleigh Dickinson • Oct. 2 at Brown • Oct. 9 Harvard • Oct. 16 Adelphi • Oct. 20 at Syracuse • Oct. 24 at Dartmouth • Oct. 27 Oneonta • Oct. 30 Hartwick • Nov. 2 at Army • Nov. 5 Yale • Nov. 13 Columbia

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Home Games: Berman Field • Sept. 10 Stony Brook • Sept. 14 at Bucknell • Sept. 17 at Princeton • Sept. 21 Penn State • Sept. 25 at Pennsylvania • Sept. 28 Colgate • Oct. 1 Columbia • Oct. 6 St. Bonaventure • Oct. 9 Harvard • Oct. 10 Vermont • Oct. 13 Army • Oct. 19 St. Francis • Oct. 24 at Dartmouth • Oct. 27 at Syracuse • Oct. 30 at Brown • Nov. 3 at Lafayette • Nov. 6 Yale

MEN'S TENNIS

Home Matches: Reis Tennis Center • Sept. 18-19 Cornell Fall Outdoor Invit. • Sept. 25-26 at Yale Invitational • Oct. 8-10 ECAC Champs. at Princeton • Oct. 22-24 Cornell Fall Indoor Invit. • Nov. 4-7 at ITA East

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Home Matches: Reis Tennis Center • Sept. 11-12 SUnity Invit. at Syracuse • Sept. 18-19 or ITA National Clay Court Champs. • Sept. 21-22 at Baltimore • Sept. 24-26 Cissie Leary Invit. at Penn • Sept. 25-26 at Princeton Fall Invit. • Oct. 1-3 at Penn State Fall Invit. • Oct. 15-17 ECAC/ITA Champs. at Rutgers/Princeton • Oct. 18-20 ITA All-American Champs. at Pacific Palisades • Nov. 6-9 ITA Reg. Champs. at Harvard

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Home Meets: Newman Arena • Sept. 10-11 at Lehigh Classic • Sept. 18 at Calif-Irvine • Sept. 19 at Cal State-Northridge • Sept. 20 at Cal State-Fullerton • Sept. 24-25 at Villanova Invitational • Oct. 8 at Harvard • Oct. 9 at Dartmouth • Oct. 12 Syracuse • Oct. 15 Brown • Oct. 16 Yale • Oct. 23 at Columbia • Oct. 25 at Colgate • Oct. 29 Pennsylvania • Oct. 30 Princeton • Nov. 5-6 Cornell Invitational • Nov. 12-14 Ivy Tournament at Dartmouth

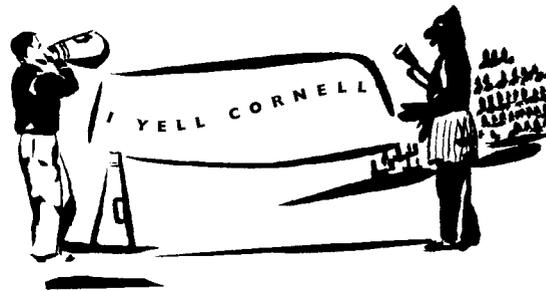
five points, respectively. Jen Chong '01 contributed thirty-six points, while Marissa Perman '99 closed out her career with a twenty-eight-goal season. The team concluded the regular season by beating Harvard for the first time in twenty contests. The game featured sixteen saves by goalie Sonia Novik '99 and a game-tying goal by Perman with nine seconds remaining in regulation. The win gave the Big Red (9-5 overall, 3-4 Ivy) its first trip to the ECAC Championship in six years, where Cornell lost to Yale 11-5.

Track and Field. Though both the men's and women's teams finished 3-1 in dual competition, the Big Red ran into disappointment at the Heptagonal Championships at Columbia. The men finished ninth out of nine teams (Princeton took the title). No Big Red competitor finished better than fourth. The women placed fourth, forty-four points behind champion Brown. Karen Chastain '00 won the discus throw with a toss of 155 feet, five inches.

Crew. The women's novice, JV, and varsity crews combined for a 25-11 dual record. At the Eastern Sprints, the varsity eight placed third in the petite finals, while the novice eight was fourth in the grand finals. The three men's lightweight and three men's heavyweight eights produced a combined 22-23 mark through the Eastern Championships, including a 4-3 record for the varsity lights (who finished second in the petite final at Easterns) and a 3-4 record for the varsity heavies (who placed second in the third level finals).

Tennis. If only the tennis teams could eighty-six the Ancient Eight. The men's and women's squads combined for a 16-7 non-league record in the spring, but each team won only one of seven Ivy League contests. The men peaked with a 7-0 win over Providence on March 13, moving them to 8-0 on the season, their best start since 1954. But the team dropped ten of their final twelve encounters to finish 10-10. The women also started strong, winning six of their first seven dual matches. They finished 8-9 overall.

— Brad Herzog '90



ATHLETIC SCHOLAR Former All-American goaltender and National Hockey League All-Star Ken Dryden '69 was one of twenty people selected as inaugural members of the International Scholar-Athlete Hall of Fame, which opened on the University of Rhode Island campus in June. The inductees, chosen based on their distinguished achievements in sports, academics, and contributions to society, were selected by a panel of more than 2,000 academicians, journalists, Olympic officials, and former athletes. Dryden, currently president of the NHL's Toronto Maple Leafs, is on a list of honorees that includes Arthur Ashe, Paul Robeson, Bill Bradley, Roger Bannister, and even Plato.

TOP JOCKS Wrestler Shawn Bradley '99 and softball standout Julie Westbrook '99 received outstanding senior varsity athlete awards at the Senior Athletic Banquet in May. Bradley was only the third Cornell wrestler to reach the 100-win plateau, finishing his career with a 105-51 mark. The 149-pounder placed second at the Eastern championships last spring and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NCAA championships. Westbrook was a three-time first-team All-Ivy selection and 1999 Ivy League Pitcher of the Year after producing a 20-7 mark with a 1.46 ERA and a school record 139 strikeouts. She also pitched the first no-hitter in Big Red softball history.

NATIONAL CHAMP John Kenny '02 won the USA Swimming 25K Open Water National Championship in Honolulu on June 5. Kenny, the Big Red's top distance swimmer as a freshman last season, won the race in 4 hours, 35 minutes, and 26 seconds. He defeated the second-place finisher by one second.

HURRICANE KENT After being drafted by the Calgary Flames, spending four seasons with the Toronto Maple Leafs, and skating one year with the Edmonton Oilers, Kent Manderville '93 has found a home in North Carolina. In June, Manderville signed a multi-year contract with the NHL's Carolina Hurricanes, with whom he has spent the past three seasons. Team president Jim Rutherford called Manderville, who recorded five goals and eleven assists last season, "a consistent two-way player for our team and one of our top penalty killers."

PRO RATED Two current players and two incoming freshmen from the Big Red men's ice hockey team were selected in the NHL entry draft in late June. Goaltender Matt Underhill '01 was a sixth-round pick (170th overall) of the Calgary Flames, while the St. Louis Blues chose defenseman Brian McMeekin '01 in the ninth round (260th overall). The two freshman recruits are Stephen Baby, a 6-foot-5 forward chosen by the expansion Atlanta Thrashers with the 188th pick, and Doug Murray, a defenseman selected by the San Jose Sharks with pick Number 241. Although all four draftees are expected to play for the Big Red this year, the draft gives the teams the right to sign them in the future. Thirty-eight Cornellians have been drafted by NHL teams over the years; sixteen have gone on to play in the league.

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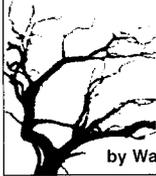
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REPORTS OF THE REUNION CLASSES



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The Office of Alumni Affairs reports only one member of the Class of '24 who registered for the 75th Reunion was able to attend. That was **John P. Wood**, EE '25, MEE '34, of Thomasville, GA. He attended various events, including the Van Cleef Dinner. At Cornelliana Night he was edged out as Oldest Alumnus in Attendance by Ithacan **Mary Porter Durham '22**.

Max Schmitt, class correspondent, was unable to travel from Maine for the 75th Reunion but has interesting news to report in the regular class columns beginning on page 76.

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This column is being written two whole days after Reunion 1999 (people in our age group need plenty of recovery time). It was truly a weekend to remember. President Hunter Rawlings shook more hands than most politicians. He's tall! Reunion planners had provided many opportunities for all sorts of tours, concerts, and lectures, as will doubtless be described elsewhere in this section, but the activity that appealed most to members of our class was just being together again and talking. Eleven '29 men showed up, mostly accompanied by younger friends or relatives. Our topics of conversation covered our full range of experience, from school days to Depression years to wartime to modern problems. Almost everyone was upbeat.

I want to list some class members with whom I enjoyed shooting the breeze.

There was **Al Blackman**, who can justifiably brag about Williamsburg, VA. Then there's **Si Wild**. His career has exhibited the same ups and downs of so many of us who graduated from college only to find the Depression was beginning.

John E. Coleman, JD '32, has some interesting hobbies, including the study of the history of military weapons. This Reunion Weekend, **I. E. "Chips" Cantor**, BA '30, JD '32, handled the job of two absent Class of '29 officers: **Bob Dodge** and **Jerry Loewenberger**, JD '31.

Myron Fuerst, BS Ag '30, who quietly and effectively "plays the cards he is dealt," came to Reunion together with his wife, Carol.

Jerry Lehner is a natural born socializer. **Frank Schaefer** was a magnet for a whole bevy of female songsters at the Saturday night dinner. (How does he do it?)

Also present were **Johnny Steele**, **Walt Voelker**, and **Ed Whiting**, who politely lis-

tened to my vocal ramblings.

Classmates who didn't attend (or even those who did) and want to get a word in edgewise can send me their news and views.

❖ **Don Layton**, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

Dear Friends: By the time you read this our 70th Reunion will be long past. I felt privileged to be able to attend with **Marian Walbancke** Smith. **Emily Briggs** Gould also attended and shared with us an interesting essay about the progress of our time we have witnessed. **Charlotte Kolb** Runey, my freshman roommate, also attended briefly, as did Dr. **Mary Ridgway** Tinker, MD '32, from Brooktondale. We missed **Agnes Gainey** Williams, BS HE '30, SpAg '30-33, and **Peg Pontius** Stephens.

We stayed at the Statler. My home for two years had been torn down to build it, and I was impressed to return to the same spot. We were facing the back of Sage, now beautifully remodeled to house the Johnson Graduate School of Management.

Impressive was the luncheon in Barton, the old Drill Hall, with the band and the parade of the Class of '44. I was very flattered when Rosa Rhodes and President Emeritus Frank Rhodes, leading it, spotted me and left briefly to give me a big hug. I think they know me mostly through **Jo (Mills)** and **L. S. "San" Reis** and my sister **Claire Kelly** Gilbert '37, who came up from Sarasota with her Mortarboard classmates. Of that group I know **Fran White** McMartin '37 (so good to **Connie Cobb** Pierce). Claire entertained all at her summer home, "The Knob," on Sunday morning. Special tribute to my daughter, **Mary Marcia Dolan**, who patiently and cheerfully assisted Marian and me through the intricacies of the weekend.

The Chorus and the Glee Club singing in Sage Chapel were memorable, as was the Alumni Glee Club in Bailey, singing the fun versions of the "Song of the Classes" and, as a special treat, Hayden's "Creation."

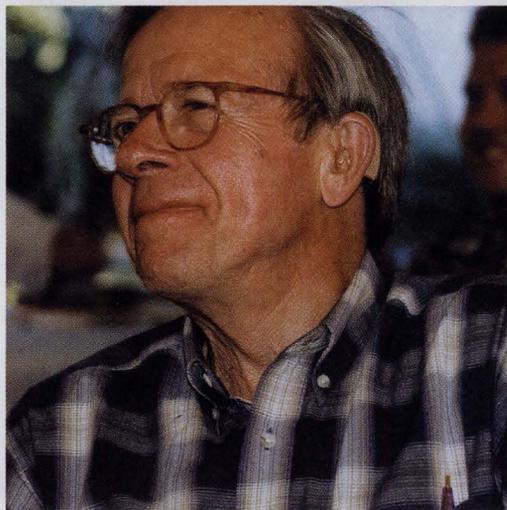
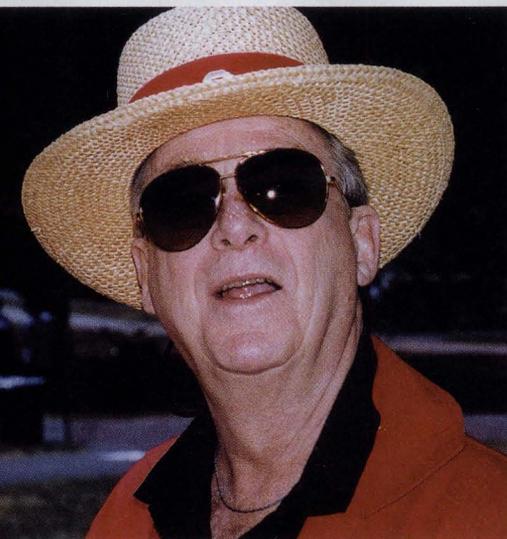
President Hunter Rawlings in his State of the University Address reported "all is super well," as we are second only to Harvard in alumni donations. It was reported that our class has given \$9 million. I thought it must have been a typographical error. Where did it all come from?

You will be happy to know that the chimes are now back from Ohio, all tuned and shipshape and will be installed later this summer. My grandson, **Matthew Dolan '93**,



who accompanied me, climbed the stairs of Libe Tower and reported that the view of Cayuga Lake is as impressive as ever. You know about the deep cold water of the lake. It now has a new use. The streets of the campus are torn up and huge pipes installed. The deep cold lake water will be pumped throughout the campus as a new type of air conditioner. I can imagine the logistical problems but we'll leave that to the engineers. Call it just aquathermo-dynamic adventure.

I thoroughly enjoyed getting to know **Don Layton**, my co-correspondent in this column, and the other men of the class. They



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were friendly and interesting. They have aged gracefully. Our class gift to ourselves was a huge heavy medallion with a red ribbon, resembling the Congressional Medal of Honor. I think it was given for longevity and survival. ♦ **Agnes "Tib" Kelly Saunders**, 106 Spencer Ave., Lynbrook, NY 11563; e-mail, tib106@aol.com.

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The theme and spirit of the 65th Reunion was set by President **Bill Robertson** with these words, "I say, let's forget our aches and pains and have a grand time in

Ithaca this June." The men and their spouses and other guests in this celebration were **Carl Allen** and niece Margaret Holman, **Eddie**, CE '35, and **Judith Borjesson, John**, JD '37, and Margaret Mary **Branch, James Bruner, Norman** and Helen Collyer, **Frank DeBeers** and son **F. M. III "Sandy" '61**. Also **Dave** and Ruth **Groner, Bob**, BChem '35, and Barbara **Hampton, Don** and Polly **Hanford, Bob Kitchen**, BArch '35, BLA '36, and guest **Ginnie Welch, Ed McCabe, Curt** and Alice **Muller, Lauren O'Kain, H. C. "Pete" Peterson**, Bill and Anne **Robertson, Dick Rozelle** and daughter

Judith Hoomans, Lou and Hilda **Rosenthal, Bob Straight Sanborn, Jacob** and Ruth **Shacter, A. C. "Chan"** and Jackie **Taylor, Norm**, MD '38, and **Meda Young Thetford '35, George** and Ruth **Tretter, H. E. "Hugh" Westfall** and daughter Sally Jo Hawkins, **Phil White, Ralph** and Evelyn **Wilkes**, a most welcome participant, **Ruth Kane**, widow of **Bob**, BS Ag '36, and her guest, **Bruce Gavitt**, and your correspondent.

The policy set in motion in 1994 of the men and women of 1934 meeting as a single class, now permanent policy, added to the

pleasure of seeing old friends, making new acquaintances, as well as meeting family members and friends of class members. Our thanks go to **Winnie Loeb** Saltzman and Ed McCabe, reunion co-chairs, for their organizing and implementing skills for our activity program. Reunion Clerk **Suzanne Proctor '99** kept us on schedule for all events. President Hunter Rawlings and Elizabeth Rawlings joined us for Thursday evening's reception. We felt especially honored by their presence at our opening affair, appreciating their demanding schedule for Reunion Weekend.

The first of three '34 class dinners (all culinary masterpieces) with joyful greetings and lively conversation set the tone for the next two days. Friday morning saw us touring the Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art and participating in the presentation of our class gift to the Museum of Paul Cézanne's (1839-1906) large lithograph "The Bathers" from the last years of the 19th century. Considered as Cézanne's most important print, it is the centerpiece of teaching Cornell students the art of their own times. The Olin lecture and a smattering of athletic events were offered for the balance of the afternoon—golf, canoeing, and wall-climbing, anyone? A delightful social hour, elegant dinner in Banfi's in the Stadler, and the ever-popular Glee Club concert concluded the day's program.

President Rawlings's State of the University Address in Bailey Hall started Saturday in moving fashion. As, for these many years, the spirit, the accomplishments, the guidance, and the model it presents to present and future generations made us proud to still be active members, even though in our twilight years. The All-Alumni Luncheon and gathering of all classes in Barton Hall is still a classic event. How well we remember an earlier reunion, when **Tom Haire** brought his band and it literally shook the rafters of this venerable hall.

We were pleased that President Emeritus Frank Rhodes and Rosa Rhodes joined us for the Saturday social hour. His remarks, delivered in his inimitable style were warmly received and appreciated by everyone. Altogether 66 persons participated in our 65th Reunion. The present slate of class officers was reelected for another term.

Sunday morning breakfast, then Sage Chapel, and hasty goodbyes set the scene on the final day. The 65th came and is now of the past. *Au revoir* 'till 2004. More on reunion in the next edition. ♦ **Karl F. Schmidt**, 4780 Mt. Rose Way, Roseville, CA 95747-8279; tel., (916) 771-4734.

To our great delight, ten women were able to make the trip back to Cornell for our 65th Reunion. Thanks must go to **Bill Robertson**, our president, and to **Winnie Loeb** Saltzman and **Ed McCabe**, the reunion co-chairs, for a really successful weekend!

There were actually several highlights, but a biggie was our underwriting part of the cost of presenting to the Johnson Museum a lithograph of Cézanne's painting, *Les Baigneurs* (The Bathers). The museum itself is very exciting. While there we had our class meeting

and all the officers were reelected, naturally.

Walking around campus, I went into Sage Chapel. It is so beautiful and peaceful, your throat tightens when you stand there!

These are our classmates who were present: **Helen Rowley** Munson, **Evelyn Mann** Gordon, Winifred Loeb Saltzman, **Lois Purdey** Shafer, MS '36, **Mary Jewell** Willoughby, **Alberta Francis** Young, **Marion Call** Hemmett, **Janice Berryman** Johnndrew, **Vashtie Cromwell** McCollum, and I was there, too!

Needless to say, there are so many changes on the campus that it is hard to find your way around, but it is still BEAUTIFUL. The Arts Quadrangle is very much the same, and nostalgia hit hard.

If you want any further information, write to me and the answers will give me needed material for another column.

We reunite again in 2004! ♦ **Eleanor "Dickie" Mirsky** Bloom, 463 77th St., Brooklyn, NY 11209.

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What a glorious celebration it was! Under the most able co-chairmanship of **Betty Luxford** Webster and **Bill**

Fuerst, 96 (40 women) of us gathered for a wonderful three days of sunshine, great food, and renewal of old friendships. Including family members and guests we were 150 strong. As an example of our ruggedness, we can boast of 572 living classmates from an original total of 1,100.

Much to the joy of President Hunter Rawlings, who met with us the first evening, **Dan Kops** and **Barbara Babcock** Payne reported that with a 50 percent participation rate, we have set a new 60th Reunion record of \$9,158,583 in giving. For those of you who have not yet participated, there is still time to boost the totals of 28 Tower Club and 43 Cayuga Society members. A special celebration, too, on Friday evening, was the christening of a new shell, "Red Storm Rising," a gift from the '39 women to the women's rowing program.

President **John Furman** guided us through a record-short business meeting, during which all officers were reelected. How could it be otherwise, with Treasurer Bill Fuerst reporting that we are still solvent! The only line-up change was **Ruth Gold** Goodman, MA '41, replacing **Ella Thompson** Wright, MA '41, as women's class correspondent. See her report, below.

By far, the highlight of our time together was the naming of the **Willard N. "Bill" Lynch** Cornell Tradition scholarships. How we missed that fellow.

Tidbit: It's not a matter of growing old; it's getting old if you don't grow. ♦ **Russ Martin**, 29 Janivar Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850.

Our 60th Reunion was a huge success. Those of us who returned to the Hill had a marvelous time, enjoying visiting with each other, the fine program, and the wonderful weather. It was probably the best reunion ever.

About 40 classmates returned, in pretty

good shape and full of stories about their lives so far and their families and achievements. At the Saturday night banquet, **Evelyn "Toni" Zimmerman** Linowitz spoke about her very successful career in art, and **Dawn Rochow** Seymour related her exciting experiences as a civilian pilot for the military in World War II. The conversation flowed for three days!

We are very proud of **Dan Kops** and **Barbara Babcock** Payne for leading our record-breaking reunion fund drive which raised over \$9 million. The class also named the Class of 1939 Cornell Tradition scholarships for the late **Willard N. "Bill" Lynch**; he was sorely missed.

Ella Thompson Wright, MA '41, has turned her job over to me for the next five years(!). She has done an excellent job and deserves our thanks for her devoted service. I am looking forward to hearing from all of you, especially those who could not be with us. Please write.

We have heard that **Catherine "Kay" Grady** Degler, MA '45, passed away in September 1998. Her family sent a gift to the 60th Reunion in her memory. ♦ **Ruth Gold** Goodman, 103 White Park Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850-2258.

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We did it again, broke two 55th Reunion records, one for attendance—143 (20 more than the Class of '43's 113) and one for dollars contributed—\$2,273,838 (from 351 donors). And, **Art and Dotty Kay Kesten**, BS HE '43, again planned and executed a super reunion from registration to cleanup, with the help of five enthusiastic student clerks and all the tri-chair classmates (each of us "worked" at one event).

What did we do those three days besides finding old friends and making new ones, reminiscing, and catching up on life stories? Here is the framework for the above. Thursday: reception and informal buffet in the tent outside headquarters. High Rise #5, followed by mingling and singing in the Penthouse Lounge there. Friday: breakfast in tent, followed by a walking tour to class projects at Olin Library (subscriptions to 52 periodicals protected by plastic), on to the Class of '44 stone bench, shaded by a now-huge maple tree outside Hollister Hall (our first project), ending at the **Joseph Driscoll** Memorial Room at Schoellkopf, where we viewed the framed rogues' gallery of class heroes and VIPs that has been assembled on the walls by Dotty and Art; then the famous moose milk punch lunch at a tent beside the Herbert F. Johnson Museum of Art, followed by a tour of same (a few of us attended a discussion of Kosovo by a panel of five professors who gave history and opinions. All decried the bombing and were concerned about the future) before the Olin Lecture in Bailey Hall by Dr. Lester Thurow, economist, professor, author; cocktails and dinner at Kennedy Hall were followed by Big Band music for dancing at Barton 'till midnight, with non-dancers partying in the Penthouse Lounge. Saturday: President's State of the University Address was followed by Class of

'44 parade around Barton Hall (one of the few classes to carry on this tradition) with Dixieland band, led by President Emeritus Frank Rhodes and Rosa Rhodes as honorary grand marshalls, **Jerry Levitan**, MBA '48, vice president and official grand marshal, and **Bill Falkenstein**, BS Hotel '47, with his well-decorated plumber's friend baton, leading our sparkling umbrella-spinning majorettes, **Marion Graham Blose** '46 (Mrs. **Howard**, B Chem E '47), **Janet Buhsen Daukas** '46 (Mrs. **Louis**, BA '47), and Doty Kay Kesten, with the rest of the troops marching behind college banners before coming to a halt for the All-Alumni Luncheon; then it was on to a tour of beautifully renovated and enlarged Sage Hall, now housing the Johnson Graduate School of Management, with its handsome class and reading rooms comfortably and completely equipped with state-of-the-art computers and other furnishings (one room features real-time data from worldwide major stock exchanges) plus offices, a restaurant, and a library (though books are rarely used), arranged by **Peter Miller**, MBA '48; dinner was served in a tent on the Ag Quad, with clams and mussels in little cloth bags and whole boiled lobsters (oooh!) before we trudged to Bailey for Cornelliana rites. There we listened to and sang with the Alumni Glee Club/University Chorus, interspersed with reports of numbers of attendees and dollars donated. The oldest grad present was a woman in the Class of '22; and then the winding down. A few of us toured the three large tents which offered refreshments and music, one mod, one 1940s and the other a good beat. We danced in two before joining the others in the lounge at High Rise #5. We weren't the last to leave, at 12:30. Does this class act its age?

It was truly a great reunion! The weather was ideal: we wore shorts by day, sweaters by night, no rain. We were well-fed, well-housed (those fans pulled in the cool night air), well-transported (buses and vans circling continuously), well-entertained. President Hunter Rawlings and Elizabeth Rawlings honored us with their presence at our Thursday dinner as did President Emeritus Frank Rhodes and Rosa Rhodes at our Friday banquet. Both men inspired us with their talks.

There were no casualties, just a few cancellations. Too bad we couldn't total 144; Art likes that number. One amusing (not for the victim) incident might be mentioned. It concerns a bunch of missing keys (to car, house, safe deposit box, etc.) reported to us at each event by the distraught owner. After 24 hours of agony he happened to mention the loss to a university policeman standing by. Would you believe the university police had rescued the keys from the car's trunk lock and were awaiting a call?

Doty and Art know how much we appreciate all their efforts because we tell them often. Just one more Big Thank You! And a thank you, too, to **Bob Schmidt** for his efforts in producing and presenting "Cornell Class of 1944 Tales," the little red book that was a special memento of our 55th Reunion.

PS: After lunch on Saturday, a new class

project (small one) was discussed at a meeting of class officers, furnishing the Driscoll Memorial Room with comfortable chairs and work tables to enable 12 or 14 athletes to use the room as a study hall when they have time between practices. A committee of four—the Kestens and two others—will investigate costs.

An item cut from the May/June issue: **Nancy Torlinski** Rundell and Bud had great times at his 55th Reunion at West Point in June 1998, the 401st Bomb Group reunion in Savannah in September (four of his B-17 crew members showed up), and his very healthy mother's 100th birthday party in Walla Walla, WA, in October. ♦ **Nancy Torlinski** Rundell, 20540 Falcons Landing Cir., #4404, Sterling, VA 20165.

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The 50th Reunion of 1949! What a grand and glorious affair! Accolades to **Jack and Inger Molmen Gilbert**,

who ran the show with much aplomb. The townhouses, with our eating tent in the courtyard, and headquarters down a few steps, made an ideal set up. You could hoof it or ride the bus to the main campus. The weather was warm but perfect.

Let's begin at the beginning. **Marty Coler** Risch, treasurer and reservations chair par excellence, had a few interesting roommate requests: "34-24-34" and "Dorothy would be nice." Those '49 men are still full of it!

Big name tags in an obvious spot were a must. After registration Thursday with **Bette McGrew** Benedict dispensing tickets to various events and Marty checking us in with the help of young, attractive, patient, and charming students (you were wonderful!) we buffeted in the tent. Surprise guests were Rosa Rhodes and President Emeritus Frank Rhodes. He told us "old college presidents lose their faculties, but not their alumni! The 'E' means out and 'meritus' that you deserve to be!"

Overheard at our table, a bride and bridesmaid getting together for the first time since the wedding. **Barbara Meldrum** Vail claims she was the hottest ticket in town in her pink taffeta dress at **Ginny Hagemeyer's** and **Art Adami's** wedding. Also seen were **Barbara (Loring)** and **Bob Cureau**, **Jim Henry** and **Nathalie**, **Helen (Osborne)** and **Jerry Jenkins**, **R. K. "Buck" Lewis**, **Clara Ann (Newell)** and **John Lloyd**, **Howard K. Loomis** and wife **Florence**, **Herb Luxon** and **Doris**, **Ken Murray** and **Sarah "Sally" (Wallace)** '50, **Dick Reynolds** and **Freddie**, **Jack Rupert**, JD '51, and **Jinny**, **Martha Merrifield** Steen and **Bill**, just to name a few. **Harry Flood** said he had been to my house in Haverford after the Penn-Cornell game in 1948. Ah yes, cans of beer were found months later in bureau drawers and the back of the john.

Class members attended the Savage Club Show; heard Dr. Lester Thurrow, the economist; played golf and tennis; toured the Plantations; drank milk punch (mmm. good!) at Miss Minn's Garden; marched to Barton Hall; had our picture taken; danced the night away; and sang into the wee hours.

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It was Ithaca or bust for **Bill Tucker** '54, who cruised up the Hill by bike for Reunion Weekend. But the trip wasn't daunting for Tucker; after all, he's pedaled cross-country twice. On the way from Winter Park, Colorado, he and a companion stopped in small-town motels and relaxed for a week at Niagara Falls. During reunions, he said, "everyone wanted to talk about my bicycle." His fifteen-year-old ride boasts custom-made frames and wheels.



Randee Mia Berman '74 wielded a tape recorder all weekend, capturing classmates' memories for a feature on National Public Radio. Her objective: to document differences between this reunion and their 20th. Her findings: "Five years ago we were all trying to impress each other. Now we're mellowing out, finding out who we are."



That hard work ethic has stuck with Cornellians through the years. Standing on line to stargaze at the Fuertes observatory, alumni heard each others' cell phones ringing. So much for losing oneself in nature.



Lawyer Sandy Presant '74, BA '73, left his day job—for reunion weekend, anyway. Saturday night found him as DJ in Mary Donlon Hall, cranking out nostalgic tunes by bands like Crosby, Stills, and Nash. But, true to his vocation, he fretted when he heard the Hot Truck was going corporate. "I want to make sure [owner] **Bob [Petrillose]** had a good lawyer before going into a franchise," he said.



Chimes concert audiences got a close-up view this year, as the players banged away on a temporary stand on the Sage Chapel lawn. Said chimesmaster **Jennifer Courtney Lory-Moran** '96, MAT '97: "Instead of climbing 161 steps and worrying about too many visitors on the playing-stand level, we battled sunburns and bumble bees!"

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In a lecture on Saturday, astronomy professor Yervant Terzian said the Ithaca model of the solar system, on the Commons, is drawn to scale so that the distance ratio of planets to sun is correct. If the model included stars, he noted, the nearest one (Alpha Centauri) would have to be in Hawaii. Musing on how he could pop the question to a museum there, he said: "We'd have to explain our solar system is in Ithaca, New York."



Bob Schmidt '44 had a "glorious time." Visiting Bailey Hall, Bob enjoyed his front row seats (one of the perks of old age, he jokes) at the talks of both President Rawlings and Harvard economist Lester Thurow. Of the men, he said, Rawlings "certainly is a go-getter," and Thurow is "one of the few economists you can understand. From my front-row seat, I thought he was talking to me."



Here comes the bride. . . fifty years later. It was a joyous reunion for Virginia Hagemeyer Adami and her bridesmaid Barbara Meldrum Vail, both members of the Class of '49. "We had taken different paths these fifty years," says Vail, "but we just knew each other right away." At the welcome dinner in the Town Houses, the two gossiped and giggled. "I still have my bridesmaid dress in the attic; when I got home I stood and looked at it." To get in shape for trekking the Hill, Vail adds, she walked eight miles a week in the months before reunion.



Marian Fay Levitt, president of the class of '59, helped compile Cornell's first-ever 40th-reunion survey. Among the queries sent to the class: "If you had to do it all over again, would you go to Cornell?" Eighty-five percent of the 500 respondents had no Big Red regrets. Also: in comparison to previous surveys, '59 women have grown more liberal, men more right-wing.

Dick Keegan, our president, announced at the banquet that our glorious class has given \$17,367,371 since graduation. This year, with 603 donors and 69 percent participation, we won two awards for a 50th Reunion class: the most Tower Club members (73), and the most Cayuga Society members (49). Among our gifts to the university have been: a senior class gift in the years 1997-99; Center for Theatre Arts; the '49 chimes entrance to McGraw Tower; a grove of trees; support for Miss Minn's Garden; we saved Hoy Field; supplied 92 Cornell Club presidents; and so forth and so on! Dick introduced President Hunter Rawlings, who has built bridges and opened doors. Our class was a hodge-podge with veterans returning plus younger students. The combination made us strong and an outstanding class.

Saturday morning some played tennis and a few intrepid souls—**Rod Coler**, John Moore, Marty Coler Risch, **Polly Wallworth Riggs**, and I—hiked and took a swim in Treman State Park; while others dawdled over coffee and chatted.

A box lunch on the Arts Quad with a chimes concert and then a songfest led by **Walt Peek** followed. Walt wrote a 50th Reunion song, words and music, to honor the occasion. There was a chicken barbecue at Beebe. Cornelliana Night at Bailey, then a gathering at headquarters with fare-three-wells, and a trio playing, with singing, of course!

We did it—YES-YES-YES! The Class of 1916's 50th Reunion record of 281 returning classmates has fallen. It's now official: 295 '49ers returned and enjoyed! Wish I could mention all of you. Thanks for coming.

The Reunion Committee: Inger (Molmen) and Jack Gilbert, Dick Keegan, Marty Coler Risch, **Dick Brown**, Bette McGrew Benedict, **Dick Lustberg**, and the outgoing board were presented with gifts of appreciation. Our new class council, as announced by **Jerry Alpern**, MBA '50, who chairs the nominating committee, will be Dick Keegan, president; Richard W. Brown, Jack Rupert, Inger Molmen Gilbert, vice presidents; John J. Gilbert, treasurer; Bette McGrew Benedict, secretary; Dick Lustberg, fund rep; Ken Murray and Jack Krieger, BS Hotel '50, giving chairs; Dick Keegan, class correspondent; Inger Molmen Gilbert, 55th Reunion chair.

We're in good experienced hands! Bye! ♦ **Mary Heisler** Allison, 1812 Puerto Bello Dr., Lady Lake, FL 32159; tel., (325) 259-0203.

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I wake at night and think I hear remembered chimes. . . 160 of us did hear the chimes peal for our 45th Reunion, although not from their usual lofty home in Libe Tower. They are back on campus but still earth bound awaiting their reinstallation in the pumpkinless aerie in the sky. Every time I return to campus I realize how much music and songs were woven into our time at Cornell. We Strike up a Song for Cornell at many events. The heart beats faster and you stand just a tad taller.

From our headquarters in Risley we

spread out through the campus to many events and lectures renewing friendships and making new ones as we went via bus or foot. We did notice there were more buses available for us this year. Considering our birth dates and the heat, they were very welcome. **Dave**, PhD '60, and **Mary Gentry Call**, our reunion co-chairs, were on hand to welcome everyone as were Nancy and **Bill Blake**, who handled registration.

Thursday the earlybirds were treated to a boat ride on the lake and, after the sun sank slowly in the West, retreated to Risley for an outdoor barbecue.

Friday evening the first-ever Class of '54 Art Show, showcasing the work of eight classmates, opened to great critical acclaim in Willard Straight Gallery. Included in the show were four magnificent pieces by **Estelle Weinman** Laschever, who has received over 30 awards, has had 14 one-woman shows, and has work in the permanent collections of the New Britain Museum of American Art and the Johnson Museum of Art on campus.

Rosamond Peterson Berg Bassett loaned us two of her Wave Series. Ro has exhibited at the Allan Stone Gallery in New York City since 1977 and can be seen at Thomas Segal, in Boston, Hobe Sound Gallery, Florida, and Sound Shore Gallery in Cross River, NY. William Blake's wood-turned bowls were not only a treat for the eyes but a joy to handle. Bill produces his bowls and a line of wooden toys for his own pleasure, donating the toys to the Salvation Army Gift Program and the Connecticut Children's Hospital, where they aid in therapy and provide enjoyment for young patients.

Margaret "Peggy" Hill spent her professional career with Agway and took up quilting seeking a change of focus. She enjoyed it so much she retired early to quilt full-time in her home studio. We were treated to two of Peggy's quilts and regretted very much that, in the spirit of retirement, they are not available for purchase, nor does Peggy take commissions.

Robert C. Lynk, DVM '61, submitted three rural watercolors so realistic many believed they knew the exact barns he so ably captured. Bob was introduced to watercolors by Sherry Holmes in 1994 and has continued to study with her. Bob's introduction to painting was a course in oils while attending the Vet college. **Peter Yarrow '59**, pre his Puff, Paul, and Mary acclaim, was in the same painting class.

Margaret R. "Peggy" Polson, MS '56, has either studied or taught art since graduation. In addition to her master's degree from Cornell, she has an MFA from U. of Iowa, and a PhD from the U. of North Carolina. She has exhibited widely, has two traveling exhibits in the Midwest and is a member, with eight other women artists, of a group named ART MIX in the Boone-North Wilkesboro area of North Carolina.

Kenneth R. Roberts graciously sent a body of work that combined his short stories, photography, and Haikus. He calls his stories Imagidories: images that can carry a person

along like the very seaworthy fishing boat, the dory. His poetry has been seen in *Prophetic Voices* and under his own trademark ZZAPP.

After retiring as a city planner in Binghamton, NY, **Phyllis Perl** Stearns began studying and working with watercolors and pastels and then began combining them with collage. She now lives in Sarasota, FL, and has taken part in nine shows; one with her daughter was entitled "Blood is Thicker than Watercolor."

Noga Gelman Shapiro submitted several works of computer art. She has embraced the computer, recognizing its ability to create elaborate images, textures, and special effects that are otherwise difficult to achieve using traditional methods. Her work has been published in *Computer Artist* and exhibited several times on Long Island.

Rosemary Seelbinder Jung did the usual Fifties trip: got married and raised a family. She catered and had her own cooking schools specializing in French techniques. A Sunday painter for years, she has studied at the Pennsylvania Academy and the Ringling School of Art along with getting private instruction. She recently sold her home on Martha's Vineyard, moved to center-city Philadelphia, and now hopes her love of painting can be a major focus. Just remember where you saw her first.

Bill Tucker and Diane Fisher did indeed ride to reunion on their bikes from Winter Park, CO, traveling not only through a snowstorm but taking the time for a side trip to Niagara Falls. They probably passed your correspondent as she was doing her 15 miles on the Erie Canal via sailboat. Last seen they were packing their panniers and heading toward State College, PA, homeward bound.

Those reuniting for the first time were: **John Almquist**, BA '55, **Irv Costanzo**, **Barbara Leete Hourigan**, **Owen, PhD '54**, and **Barbara Jones Jenkins**, **Nancy Rink Kelly**, **Brin Kissel**, **Mildred "Mimi" Cohen** Levine, **Bill Ludlow**, **Edward McDowell**, B Chem E '55, **Pete Miller**, **John Murach**, **Robert K. Norton**, **Edward Pollak**, **Nathan Pond**, **Henry P. Renard**, MBA '55, **Vince Rose**, B ME '58, **Herman** and **Winnie Clair Schenkel**, and **Rob Sinacore**.

And those classmates who have traveled many times to tread . . . beneath green elms with branches bowed in springtime sounds . . . are too numerous to mention by name in this column. They will be listed in later editions.

Kudos to Dave and Mary Call for so ably chairing reunion again, Bill Blake for compiling our class directory, Peter Warter, **Jane Shanklin** Warter's Princeton husband for doing our before and now pictures for the second time, and to **Bill Pinchbeck** for the 36 dozen magnificent roses gracing our tables at the Straight dinner Friday evening.

I have asked for and have been granted the privilege of continuing as your correspondent for the next five years. I look forward to updates from our loyal news suppliers and hope to hear from those yet heard from as to how their lives are adjusting and changing.

More on reunion in my next column.

. . . Oh fates that shape the lives of man

vouchsafe that I, before I die, may tread "the Hill" again. ♦ **Les Papenfus** Reed, 17 Hillside Ave., Kentfield, CA 94904; fax, (415) 925-9404; e-mail: ljreed@aol.com; class website: www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1954.

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So many friends, so many events, so little time! Once again our class had a fabulous reunion, thanks to the efforts

of Reunion Chairs **Nancy (Sterling) and Chuck Brown**, BME '60, and **Gwen Woodson** Frazee, many other members of the class, and five student class clerks. By Thursday afternoon the lounge in our class headquarters in North Balch Hall was filled with returning '59ers. In total, 341 adults participated in our 40th, including 216 classmates, 15 of whom were attending their first-ever reunion. Several '59ers, including **Linda Rogers** Cohen, **Sue (Mattison)** and **Kenneth "Bill" Fraser**, BME '60, and **Rochelle Silverman** Schneider enjoyed a double celebration, joining children or children-in-law who were on the Hill for 10th and 15th-year Reunions.

Throughout the weekend, the lounge was open for conversation, refreshments (Big Red water far surpassed soft drinks and beer in popularity), and enjoyment of the Memorabilia Gallery and Showcase. **Gail Stanton** Willis had gathered photographs, yearbooks, date books, and other memorabilia from our days at Cornell. And Gwen Frazee organized a showcase of books, art, and jewelry by classmates; among the many contributors to this display were **Sid M. Wolfe**, **Katy Boynton** Payne, **Ruth Chimacoff** Macklin, BA '58, **Sam Schoningher**, **Cynthia Cavanaugh** Jones Shoemaker, **Isabel Radow Kleigman**, **Hans Krauss**, Linda Cohen, **George Ladas**, **Harriet A. Benjamin**, **Patricia J. Weisberg**, **Gail Stanton** Willis, **Ron Demer**, BME '60, **Phil Yarnell**, **Ann Abeloff** Green, **Paula Millenthal** Cantor, **Chuck H. Hill**, **Marian Fay** Levitt, and yours truly.

Another object of great interest was the 40th Reunion Survey compiled by Marian Levitt and **Sue Rollins** Fried: 92 percent consider themselves successful in their occupations; 76 percent easily live within their income; 61 percent are married to their first spouses; 38 percent gave up smoking more than five years ago; 28 percent work out regularly at a health club; 13 percent weigh the same as they did at graduation; 7 percent have used Viagra and 3 percent regularly watch soap operas. We hope to have the full survey on the class website in the near future (<http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1959>).

Dale Rogers Marshall and **Dave Dunlop** were responsible for our first major class event: a Friday morning forum that considered today's major policy issues. The forum was led by Associate Professor Sheila Danko who teaches one of Cornell's most popular courses, Making a Difference by Design. Danko's work focuses on an examination of design as a tool for social change and how an understanding of design can support innova-

tion and leadership in a variety of disciplines. Provocative presentations were made by John White on issues that concern national security people ("we don't know where we're going, which raises all sorts of challenges"); **Barbara Hirsch** Kaplan, who described the creative ways she has used fund-raising skills on a *pro bono* basis and, **George Ladas**, who decried funding cuts in the arts, particularly music, in public schools.

Friday evening, well-muscled young men gave us a tour of the Friedman Strength and Conditioning Center, a gift to Cornell by **Barbara (Benioff)** and **Steve Friedman**. "It's state-of-the-art and every other Ivy League school is trying to imitate it," said my tour guide, who also was a great source of buying tips for home exercise equipment. Next door, in the spacious **Ramin (Richard M. '51)** Room, complete with climbing wall, we chatted over cocktails and a dinner hosted by **Peggy (Flynn)**, MS '63 and **Dave Dunlop**. Over dessert, the Hangovers serenaded us, bringing back delightful memories of years long ago. **Bill Grover** and the Ivy Five further entertained those of us who made it to the class tent in the Balch Courtyard on Friday and Saturday nights.

On Saturday morning, wearing our reunion shirts, we gathered outside Bailey Hall following the State of the University Address by President Hunter Rawlings III. From there we walked to the steps of the Johnson Art Museum in a New Orleans-style memorial procession in remembrance of 149 deceased classmates whose names were printed on three large placards. Co-presidents Marian Levitt and Ron Demer, carrying our class banner, led the walk. At the Johnson, with President Rawlings in attendance, Dave Dunlop gave a poignant speech about our departed classmates and about the ties that bind us to them and to one another.

Next, Barbara Kaplan presented President Rawlings with a check representing the class gift to Cornell—an impressive total in excess of 9 million dollars. Barbara followed this show of the class's generosity with an even more exciting announcement: contributions from '59ers and other alumni have enabled the establishment of an endowed coaching position, titled The David R. Dunlop Wrestling Coach. The crowd erupted in the loudest cheers of the weekend as Dave returned to the microphone to express his thanks.

Saturday evening's reception and gala dinner took place at Cornell Plantations where we were joined by honored guests President Emeritus Rhodes and Mrs. Rhodes and Karel Husa, Kappa Alpha professor emeritus of music. President Rhodes spoke appreciatively of our class's "record achievements in attendance, levels of giving, and wonderful ways of using those gifts." He also let us know that he was quite familiar with our history at Cornell. "You went to President Malott's house to give us the benefit of your advice; he told me about that more than once."

It's thanks to **Paddy Hurley** that we enjoyed so many wonderful musical events during the weekend. She introduced Professor

Husa and spoke appreciatively of how he "changed our way of hearing and experiencing music." Paddy then led a brass quintet that performed two movements of Husa's *Divertimento* and a brass fanfare written in honor of Husa by **Tom Duffy, DMA '86**, dean of the Yale Music School. Husa, who came to the United States in 1954 and fell in love with Cayuga Lake and its surroundings because they "reminded me of my home in Bohemia," spoke appreciatively of "Tom's wonderful piece." And Paddy announced that our class will give Husa a replica of a plaque to be placed in one of the practice rooms, with grand piano, being built in the newly renovated Lincoln Hall. The room, funded by a \$100,000 class gift, will be named in honor of Husa.

The race was followed by a farewell brunch beside the lake, hosted by **Linda (Pritchard) and Dexter Kimball**. Nancy Brown thanked the many individuals who helped make the weekend such a success. Class officers of the past five years were honored and Dave Dunlop presented the slate of class officers for the coming five years. This slate is headed by two co-presidents: Marian Levitt, who will provide valuable continuity to the position and **George Schneider, BME '60**, who has agreed to hold the position for the next ten years. Other 1999-2004 officers include **Bill Kingston, BEE '60**, secretary; **Diane Dogan Hilliard**, treasurer; **Bill Day, BME '60**, Fund representative; Ron Demer, class historian; and me as class correspondent. Nancy Brown handed over a heavy storage container filled with notes to Gwen Frazee, who is Reunion Chair for our 45th. It's exciting to note that our class still holds the 25th Reunion record, with 425 returning classmates and a total of more than 900 people. We called that event The Dave and Harry Show, and its organizers, Dave Dunlop and **Harry Petchesky**, will be back in charge for our 50th Reunion.

The weekend's festivities ended beside Beebe Lake as The Sherwoods serenaded us with well-remembered songs. Then, as we joined them in a final "Far Above Cayuga's Waters," we released hundreds of red and white balloons. What a glorious finale!

Still lots of reunion news to share. ♦ **Jenny Tesar**, 97A Chestnut Hill Village, Bethel, CT 06801-2663; tel. (203) 792-8237; e-mail, 102433.3653@compuserve.com.

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Wow! What a reunion! Thirty-fifth Reunions aren't supposed to be that special, but ours certainly was.

First off, some 152 of us showed up—89 with a spouse/date and two with children—and almost 20 percent of that total, 28 returnees, to be exact, were reunion first-timers! That's all but unheard of for a so-called "off year" reunion: classmates opined as much, and our opinion was supported by those from other classes with whom we spoke.

Second, the weather was perfect. The heat wave that had suffocated the East Coast for the week leading up to reunion broke the Thurs-

day we began arriving. It was still kind of hot (mid-80s), but with low humidity and clear, cool, breezy nights. There wasn't any rain, nor threat of same. Capping it all were constantly-shifting cloud formations (a "director's sky," my husband calls it) that gave perfect back-grounds to all manner of photo opportunities.

Third, everyone heartily contributed to the theme "Reinventing Yourself." A panel Friday morning kicked it off, and pretty soon all others spun stories of how and why they had reinvented themselves, were in the process of doing so, or planned to do so shortly. If there was ever a weekend to be reborn or gather a catalyst for it, this was it.

Finally, the reports confirmed what many of us believed: Our class is in great shape in all ways, especially financial (solidly in the black, enough so to ensure leaving a profound legacy with Cornell), and also in its enthusiasm for itself, the future, and for future reunions, formally and ad hoc. All-in-all everyone agreed our 35th was among the top two or three reunions we've had.

Our class newsletter this fall, which goes to everyone, will contain a more complete report of reunion. Here I list our first-time returnees: **Larry Ash, BS ILR '65**, **Nancy Hockensmith Beach, Warren Bowman, B Ch E '65, ME Ch '66**, **Arnold Braitman, Barbara Lutz Brim, Barbara Sarkus Busch, Mary Deitrich Capra, Ed Chait, Peter Dickson, BA '69, Lois Weyman Dow, Enid Cantor Goldberg, Ruth Odin Grunspan, Steve Halstead, MBA '66, Hugh Humphreys, George E. Johnson, Rita Kissen, Gene Kunit, BS Ag '66, Steve Kurzer, BME '65, Edie M. Lederer '63, David J. Marion, MA '66, Jeff Milman, Charlotte J. Rosenthal, Ann Wilson Rounds, John L. Ryan, John Ryley, Pete Stauder, Laszlo Szerenyi '62, BEE '65, and Barbara Klopfer Wolinsky.**

Several developments were announced, perhaps the most important of which is very much in keeping with our times: Our class has its own permanent website. Its full address is <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1964>. And to frost the cybercake, our website offers the ability to upload pictures or other text or graphics for distribution to other Cornellians, to *Cornell Magazine*, and to other Cornell publications. So if you want your portrait to go with that honor you just received, or if you want to show off your new company logo or post pictures of your kids or your vacation, here's your chance. In related news, Cornell is offering every graduate their own free e-mail forwarding service. It's there for the signing-up at www.cuconnect.cornell.edu/html/forward.html if you want a full-featured e-mail box in addition to any others you have.

And with two exceptions (yours truly, who will remain as class correspondent, and **Linda Cohen Meltzer**, as treasurer), we have new officers for the coming five years: **Nancy Alfred Persily**, president; **Barbara Furman Attardi**, recording secretary; **Alan Hirshberg, BEP '65**, Cornell Fund; and **Sue Mair Holden**, 40th Reunion chair (her first volunteer

was **Barbara Lutz Brim**). **Linda Brandt Myers**, who's done a wonderful job as our class webmaster, asked for a volunteer to take over and **Bob Friedenson, BEE '65, PhD '69**, stepped forward. Nancy will seek multiple vice presidents in the coming months.

Of course, everyone also agreed that great future reunions rely very much on keeping classmates posted on one another's activities, which of course is what this bi-monthly column is all about. So here's some news: **Ruth "Sherry" Northrup Tyler**, a retired art teacher, has been active in refugee resettlement. She also does fund-raising for the Medical Society Alliance and volunteer church work. Husband **David '62, MS '64**, is chief of surgery at Community General Hospital in Syracuse, NY, and also a professor at the State U. of NY Health Science Center. Sherry's hobbies included gardening, singing (church choir and madrigals group), skiing, golf, and swimming. She's also in the Cornell Women's Club of Central NY and is active in other civic projects through her garden club. Sherry was nominated as Volunteer of the Year for her many civic activities. The Tylers, who have two grown children, live at 401 Maple Dr., Fayetteville.

Joan Melville Corcoran, our scholarship chair, gives special thanks to **Cindy L. Wolloch, Tom Helfrich, and Matt Sonfield** who served as judges for this year's JFK Award at Columbia U. Joan says, "Reading and evaluating the applications requires a generous investment of time and thought." The rest of us thank all four of them!

Physician **Michael E. Siegel** has been elected president of the American College of Nuclear Medicine for the year 1999-2000, and was also chosen by his peers for "The Best Doctors in America" list for 1999. Michael is director of the nuclear medicine department at the U. of Southern California School of Medicine and relaxes by playing tennis and golf. He and wife Marsha, who live at 2284 Century Hill, Los Angeles, CA, also enjoyed their recent trips to Hawaii, Ft. Lauderdale, and Rome (Italy, not Georgia).

Congrats to **Leon Anziano, BS Eng '65, ME Ch '66** (8 Jacobs Lane, Bethel, CT), who has been appointed president and chief operating officer for Arch Chemicals, a billion-dollar specialty chemical company.

All in the (Cornell) family department: **Joel Sokoloff**, a radiologist, reports he and wife Celeste's third child, born just last year (their other children are grown), was delivered by Ob/Gyn **Paul Reading, MD '68**—with Paul's wife, Kathy, in attendance, "to be sure Paul did a good job." Joel's notation to this family addition said, "This isn't an error." The Sokoloffs and their lately-expanding family live at 12372 Kinggate Sq., San Diego, CA.

Stuart, BEP '65, and June Goldstein Mathison (12401 Over Ridge Rd., Potomac, MD) recently toured southern France, Japan, and China. Stu, who retired from Global One and Sprint, is now president of Broadreach Associates, a small consulting firm, while June is a technical writer with Lockheed-Martin. The Mathisons have two grown sons. **Ralph Cerny**, a hospital administrator, is president of

Munson Medical Center, which recently was named one of the nation's top 100 hospitals for the third time. Ralph is also responsible for six other hospitals in the same system. He and wife Maureen, who have three grown sons, live at 707 Monroe St., Traverse City, MI.

As always, please keep the news coming!

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The Class of '74 had a record breaking showing at our 25th Reunion. The number of classmates attending reached 295, including 88 first-time reunion attendees. This represents a 43 percent participation rate out of the 694 dues-paying members of our class. The number of Cornell Campaign donors was 1,015, raising over \$7.5 million dollars during the campaign year which ended June 30, 1999.

Mary Donlon was the site of class headquarters and much reuniting of former roommates and friends. The warm, dry weather permitted full use of the tent in back of Mary Donlon for breakfasts and general hanging out. Highlights of the weekend included dinner Friday night at the Plantations, lunch Saturday at Beebe Lake, and dinner Saturday night at the Field House with words from President Hunter R. Rawlings III. We enjoyed author **Bill Quain's** perspective on life, "It's Better to Own Half a Watermelon than a Whole Grape."

Kudos to reunion chairs **Kristen Rupert**, **Diane Kopelman** VerSchure and **Carolyn Gregg Will** for a great show! Look for more reunion news in future issues.

Adult University (CAU) sends word of recent participants. **Clarence Morton Bishop** took a family study tour aboard the *MV Ambassador I* through Ecuador and the Galapagos Islands with wife Mary and daughter Elizabeth in December 1998. **Laird Boles** was in Charlottesville, VA, learning about Greece, Rome, and America, at a seminar held in October 1998. Also during October 1998, **Richard Lent** and wife Linda Tolkan attended a weekend course at Mohonk Mountain House in New Paltz, NY, titled "The '98 Elections and the Road to 2000." **Dale Lazar**, JD '77, and wife Deborah were on board the *MV Song of Flower* for a study and cruise titled "Nature and Civilization in the Ancient Mediterranean" during April and May of 1999.

Carol McKenzie Moore and **Tom '79** of Marblehead, MA, have added two African gray parrots to their household. National Geographic came to film the overly talkative parrots only to find them completely quiet! Sister-in-law **Betsy Moore** Porter and husband David are proud parents of a baby boy. Betsy is in the process of applying for tenure at Cazenovia College. Carol also writes that David and **Nancy Maczulak** Fisher are still ballroom dancing and once again representing the US in world-class competition. Carol resides in Marblehead, MA.

Relocation was the news from **David Wickersham**. He headed to North Carolina

and is the southeast and gulf business team leader for Dupont's Corporate Remediation Group. Congratulations to **Michael Sansbury** on becoming the president of the Cornell Hotel Society for 1999. Michael is looking forward to visiting the campus and meeting with fellow alumni from around the world. When not on campus, Michael can be found in Windermere, FL. **Fred Siegel** has been living in Durham, CT, since completing his residency training in 1984. He and wife Cheryl have daughters Traci, 17, Jaclyn, 11, and son Jesse, 5.

Proud parents Gary and **Linda Meyers** Geyer celebrated with family and friends at a reception in their home following the bar mitzvah of son Zachary, 14. Zachary wore the tallit (prayer shawl) that his dad was bar mitzvahed in as well as the one his mom used at her bat mitzvah some 12 years ago. Zachary interviewed with his sketch work and has been accepted into the South Orange County School of the Arts at Dana Hills (CA) High School for the fall. Brother Dashiell, 11, will be starting middle school in September.

Congrats to **Reid Addis** and **Ann (Buckler)** whose daughter Jenna celebrated her bat mitzvah. Joining the festivities were: **Lou Walcer**, **John Egan '72**, BArch '74, and **Diane Cho '73**, BArch '74. Ann writes that they have been in Pennsylvania for 20 years where she has a small speech-language pathology practice. Reid just celebrated ten years with his company, Addis Computer Consulting.

Nathan, son of **Laurie B. Harris** and husband Paul Crissey, also became a bar mitzvah. The joyful festivities included: **Kathi Weiner** Bruce, **Robin Lehrfeld** Hunter, and **John Henel**. Kathi is a technical writer with a medical management software start-up company while Robin is a successful realtor in Southern California. John is a software developer for a start-up telephone firm. Laurie is busy with a job mix of restaurant management, commercial property management, and shopping center management in Concord, CA. **J. Patrick Knuff** moved to State College, PA, to assume a new position as general manager of SMS/Delta Health systems. He loves his job and the area but, it has too much "blue and white" and not enough "red and white"!

Harvey Gold was promoted to senior research associate for the Dupont Corporate Center for Analytical Chemistry. Harvey presented a plenary lecture on industrial applications of near-infrared spectroscopy at the International Near-In Meeting in Essen, Germany. He has received the Tomas Hirschfeld Award in near-infrared spectroscopy; the Eastern Analytical Symposium Award for outstanding achievements in near-infrared spectroscopy; and the Section Award from the Delaware Chemical Society. When not receiving awards, Harvey is busy with kids. Daughter Lynn, 8, is a budding paleontologist and son Rory, 4, wants to drive backhoes and other construction equipment.

David Smiley, BS HE '76, is busy teaching beginners to whitewater kayak and puts out a monthly club newsletter. David says it is

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A wheelchair didn't stop Franklin DeBeers '34 from traveling from Evanston, Illinois, for his 65th reunion. He had a more powerful crutch: son Franklin DeBeers III '61, who flew from Philadelphia to Chicago to escort DeBeers to Ithaca—and to many reunion events, including Cornelliana night.



Friday night, sixty Class of '54 alumni mingled at the Straight, enjoying a reception on the terrace and the art show in the gallery that boasted classmates' creations. One conversation piece: a maple and cherry wooden bowl, eight inches in diameter, with a brass Cornell crest in the center. Hand-crafted by Bill Blake, the piece was given to Mary Gentry Call to thank her for her efforts as reunion co-chair.



When you're hot, you're hot. The class of '94, perhaps parched by the oh-so-rare Ithaca sunshine, consumed forty-seven cases of Big Red bottled water on Friday alone.



Amid the hustle and bustle of check-in time on Thursday, some '49ers scratched their heads, wondering how to lug their bags to their Town House suites. To the rescue: President Emeritus Frank H. T. Rhodes, who gallantly "bell hopped" most of the luggage. Alumni taking cocktails under the outside tent gaped and gawked ("Isn't that...?" "It can't be!").



Love—old and new—was in the air at the O'Haus hop in Barton Hall on Friday night. Richard Gilbert '49 celebrated his 50th wedding anniversary with a bridal gown-clad Joyce Stern Gilbert '51. And a dashing summer student asked one '49 widow how to cut a rug; after dancing, he escorted her home and kissed her goodnight.

—Melissa Fox Hantman '01

energizing to work with beginners as well as exciting. As trip leader, though, it is his job to keep things from getting too exciting. David lives in Colorado Springs and works for MCI, which was bought out by Worldcom. Keeping active with his family in Rochester, NY, is **Raymond Lanzafame**. Raymond and wife Patricia have children Mark, 13, and Karen, 11. Raymond is the director of the laser center at Rochester General Hospital and associate professor of surgery at the U. of Rochester school of medicine. He is also a research associate professor in the dentistry department at SUNY Buffalo and an adjunct faculty member at Daemon College. To top things off, Raymond is getting his MBA.

Jodi Sielschott Stechschulte writes that she lives in her van, transporting her five kids around Columbus, OH. Lisa, 16, is looking at colleges, while Lauren, 5, is in preschool. John, 15, is in high school; Lynn, 12, attends middle school and Paul, 10, is in elementary. Jodi keeps busy with volunteer work at school and church where she is involved with writing plays and musicals. ♦ **Linda Meyers** Geyer, 25926 Monte Carlo Way, Mission Viejo, CA 92692; e-mail, lgdesigns@home.com.

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"Picture perfect weather" was a refrain heard repeatedly as 235 classmates, 128 spouses/

significant others/friends, and 197 children gathered on campus between June 10-13, '99, to celebrate our 20th Reunion. U-Halls 2 and 3 served as the class of '79's home base for registration, lodging, breakfasts, and casual conversation around the tubs of soda, water, and beer. A canopy and several tables and chairs set up between the two buildings created a comfortable setting for those inclined to take a break and catch up with old friends.

A number of classmates, including Reunion Chair **Larry Stone**, with wife Maggie Jongleux and son Brian, arrived as the doors opened at noon on Thursday. Larry did a superb job orchestrating the weekend's events. Of particular note were the terrific sites selected for our lunches, cocktail receptions, and dinners, including Miss Minn's Garden, the Ag Quad, the Plantations, and the Johnson Museum. A collective THANK YOU to Larry from all of us in attendance.

A big thank you, too, to **David Stocker** who, with his band from Rockford, IL, entertained the class with African music and other percussion selections during dinner Friday evening and lunch on Saturday. David previously won awards for his first CD, "Moondog Anthology," and has recently released his second cassette, soon-to-be CD "One Drum World Tour." The music was engaging and many children danced and twirled the hours away.

During the course of the weekend, many fraternities and sororities had open houses. Among those returning to visit Delta Phi Epsilon, as **Lori Glass** Citak put it, "to find our old composite photos in the basement and laugh about 'bad hair days,'" were Lori, **Janet Goldin** Rubin, **Debbie G. Moses**, **Nancy**

Sverdlík, and **Sue Landzberg** Schatz. Similar laughs were heard from **Diane Solomon** Doppelt, **Cathi Gobel** Farrell, **Ellen J. Rachlin**, **Zena Saunders**, MBA '81, **Cindy Estis** Green, **Dana Wilde** Kozlarek, and me (**Cindy Ahlgren** Shea) at Kappa Kappa Gamma.

Several classmates were sharing the week-end fun with family members back for their own class reunions. **David C. Rupert**, wife Sarah Ondaatje-Rupert, and sons Nic, Chan, and Chris, were joined on campus by David's dad, **John E. Rupert** '49, JD '51, and sisters, **Kristin Rupert** '74 and **Karen Rupert** '76. Similarly, **Jeff P. Weiss**'s father, **Don A. Weiss** '49, was celebrating his 50th Reunion. The Weisses stayed at the Cayuga Lake waterfront home of Jeff's fraternity brother, **Hakan Sokmensuer** '80, and slept on board Hakan's 44-foot yacht, *Cornellian*. Also taking advantage of the Sokmensuer's hospitality were **Conrad Wangeman** and wife **Shannon** and their children Alexandra, Erika, and Olivia. Saturday afternoon found the Weisses, Wangemens, and **Jordan Schell-Lambert**, ME ORIE '80, wife Anita, and children Rachel and Theo all tubing on the lake. Later, they reminiscenced with **Mindee E. Wasserman** and **Jesse Cohen** about old times.

Also taking advantage of alternative sleeping accommodations were a number of the returning Delta Gammas who stayed at the "DG Reunion Bed and Breakfast." Purity mocha chip ice cream, popcorn, and sunbathing at Flatrock made up a part of the weekend's festivities for most of the DGs and their families including: **Susan "Sukey" Call** Terasaka, BS Hotel '80, MPS HA '81, and daughter Kathryn; **Kathy Best** with husband **Steve Green** and children Caroline, Stephen, and Sarah; **Signe Carlson** Huff, husband John, and children Hayley and John; **Ginny Groton** Goelz; **Susan "Beau" Poor Dingle** and husband **Jeffrey** with children Eliza, Claire, and Jeremy; **Susan Koester Kennedy**, husband **James** '78, and children Norah, Juliana, and Laurel; **Shelley Spooner** Mast and children Jack and Joanna; **Hilda Fritze**-Vomvoris, BS Hotel '80, husband Stratis, and children Leah and Nora; **Lon** and **Lisa Barsanti Hoyt** and children Lisbeth and Loren; and **Anne Marie Reilly** with husband **Joe Hadley** '80 and children Lucy and JP.

Reunion athletic activities were offered in abundance. **Peter Coy** did our class proud by winning the five-mile (and then some) Reunion Run with over 100 participants by posting a time of 30 minutes and 59 seconds. Peter enjoyed sharing his victory with wife Ariela Keyser and son Ethan. **Rowland "Rowlie" Bates**, MPS HA '84, and brother-in-law **F. Chris Carney** hit the links on Saturday; Rowlie is executive vice president of Willowbend Development, a corporation that develops golf courses and resorts. Many other classmates enjoyed the 85 degrees weather and clear blue skies in the gorge. **Howard Goldman**, wife **Amy (Tayer)** '83, and sons Nathaniel, Zachary, and Lucas explored the area, and **Laurie Netter** Sprayregen, husband Phil, and children Jimmy and Dale were

among those swimming and sliding on the slate rocks.

The class meals and the evening tent parties on the Arts Quad afforded a great opportunity to catch up on the news of others. **Tom Van Leeuwen** is a director in the equity research department of Credit Suisse First Boston. **Steve Kusmer** has formed his own internet start-up company in San Francisco. **Doug Ehmann**, MS '80, MBA '81, recently joined The Sheridan Group as vice president and chief information officer, while Doug's wife, **Francesca (Mastanduno)** '81, continues to work in her own market research firm, Consumer Insights. **Jim Gould** is with Aetna and living in Fairfield, CT. **Jim and Rick Solazzo**, BS ILR '80, had breakfast at 12:00 a.m. Sunday morning at the State Street diner "just for old times sake." Rick's wife, **Liz (Kisken)**, ME I '80, MBA '81, is on Wall Street in institutional equity sales with JP Morgan.

Bill Porter is closing in on 20 years in the Navy and is the commander of the Triton nuclear submarine USS *Nebraska* based out of Georgia. First-time parents **Keith** and **Ellen Fischler** brought daughter Maggie to reunion. Keith enjoyed seeing fellow ILR classmates **Kevin Bruns**, **Mark Bauer**, BS '80, **Howard Bleichfeld**, and **Gregg Popkin**.

At the Friday dinner, reunion major gifts chair **Jeff Berg**, MS I '80, MBA '81, gave an update on donations received to date which total more than \$2.1 million! Our class goal is to have 50 percent participation and to set an all-time record for a 20th Reunion year with a contribution of \$2,335,000. Our final totals will be provided in the next issue of *Cornell Magazine*. Hats off to chair Jeff Berg and to **Steve Magacs**, **Dan Mansoor**, MBA '80, and Larry Stone who played leadership roles in our fund-raising efforts; to the many classmates who participated in the phone banks and targeted solicitations; and to every classmate who contributed to the effort.

At the Saturday dinner, classmates gave a big round of applause for Dan Mansoor, our out-going president who has worked very hard on our behalf during the past five years. The class then unanimously approved the following slate of class officers for 1999-2004: Jeff Berg, president; Steve Magacs, vice president, communications; **Mary Wilensky** Kahn, vice president, regional activities; **Karen Mineo**, vice president, affinity; **Kathleen E. Perkins**, vice president, membership; Sukey Call Terasaka, treasurer; **Patty Garr**, secretary; Brad and Mary Maxon Grainger, reunion chairs for 2004; **Celia Rea**, Cornell Fund chair; **Henry Schiemann**, ME EL '80, MS E '84, international chair; **Kathy Zappia** Gould and Cindy Ahlgren Shea, class correspondents; Larry Stone, webmaster; and **Lon Hoyt**, musical director.

All in all, it was a memorable weekend. And 2004 will be even better if YOU are there! ♦ **Cindy Ahlgren** Shea, PO Box 1413, East Hampton, NY 11937 and **Kathy Zappia** Gould, 912 Meadowcreek Dr., Richmond, VA 23236. Class of '79 e-mail is CU79@aol.com. The class of '79's World

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We owe a great deal of thanks to our Reunion Co-Chairs **Tim Donahoe** and **Scott Sidman**. The entire weekend was superbly organized, the favors fun, and the undergraduate class clerks very helpful. Thanks to Tim and Scott, '84 Reunion headquarters had a complete beach theme going with the reunion chairs and all of our reunion clerks clad in Hawaiian shirts and a wading pool in the middle of the lobby. Tim and Scott even showed their superior party planning expertise by ordering beach-quality weather for the entire weekend!

The Class of '84 enjoyed a smaller but just as enthusiastic crowd as we had for the 10th Reunion. We welcomed most classmates on Friday and enjoyed an outdoor reception complete with entertainment for the children on late Friday afternoon right in front of Class Headquarters, The Class of '26 Hall (U Hall 4). The university schedule was chock-full with activities ranging from athletics to academics, and classmates participated in the Reunion Fun Run (**Kitty Cantwell** placing second in our age group), and the lecture by Lester Thurow. Saturday highlights for the class included a barbeque (yummy!) on the Ag Quad, our class picture, and reception and dinner dance at Kennedy Arch and Trillium (the "new" dining hall in Roberts Hall on the Ag Quad).

Here are the pertinent "fun" facts from Reunion: we had 185 adults in attendance, 140 of them were '84 classmates, and we had 84 children. First Registrant, **Mark G. Miller**; Last Registrant, **Dave Kaptein**; Farthest Traveled Domestically, **Julia M. Stasio** (Seattle); Farthest Traveled Internationally, **Nick Groos** (Luxembourg) and **Lindsay Liotta Forness** and **Bob '87** (London); Most Kids (with their two sets of twins), **Kevin McCormick** and **Catherine "Kitty" Cantwell** and their children: Nicholas, Matthew, Patrick, Meghan, Kate.

The new slate of class officers for the next five years are as follows: President, **Terri Port McClellan**; Vice President, **Carol A. Leister**; Treasurer, **Oscar Abello**; Class Correspondents, **Lindsay Liotta Forness** and **Karla Sievers McManus**, BA '85; Reunion Chairs **Kitty Cantwell** and **Janet M. Insardi** supported by **Carol Leister**, **Karla Sievers McManus**, **Lindsay Liotta Forness**, **Kathy Thorne Barlow**, and **Joanne Restivo Jensen**. Anyone else interested is welcome to join the committee. Cornell Fund, **Tracey Brant-Cornell**, BS Ag '85, **Christine A. Miller**, MBA '89, and **Duncan Perry**, MBA '88; Class Council, **Joan S. Guilfoyle**, **Jay Lindy**, **Tim Becker**, **Linda Zell Randall**, **Diane Papisergi Speakman**, and **Jose Nieves**, with several additions pending; Webmaster, **Alan Baren**.

Also, **John** and **Carmen Toohey** celebrated their 5th anniversary at reunion. They were married on the Uris Terrace during our 10th Reunion. They were joined by their 3-year-old son, John Michael Toohey.

And now for some non-reunion news.

Our class now has a member of the Board of Trustees: **Michael Huyghue**. **Kate Thatcher** Barnwell enjoyed the weekend with husband Nick and adorable sons Will and Harry. Kate joined **Lindsay Liotta Forness** at the Hotel school breakfast, where Lindsay was surprised by **Elizabeth "Lilla" Nichols** Mikkelsen, who drove up from Mississippi with her three children and Discovery Toys in tow. Other Hotelies at the weekend were **Joe Giles** and wife Paula, who is expecting their third child. Joe works for the Philadelphia Phillies baseball team. **Dave** and **Kathy Gilliland Devreaux**, BS Hotel '85, were in town from Arkansas, sans children, and had a great time. Dave works in the nursing home industry, which has relocated the family quite often in the last few years! **Patti Foote** DelBello was in Ithaca alone, having left her husband and children on Long Island to run their family-owned restaurant.

Jennifer Pierce Fusco was also traveling solo to party with fellow Hotelies. Jennifer is the class correspondent for the Hotel school's newsletter, "The Bulletin." **Eileen Moroney** Joyce and husband Tim traveled from Rutherford, NJ, and spent much of the weekend with **Ruth A. Heller**. **Stephanie Perry Nolan** brought husband **Peter '80**, MBA '82, and children Bobby, Ellie, and Michael from the West Coast. **Paul H. Bauer** and family are moving to Arlington, MA, where Paul is starting a new position. **Tom C. Burke** and wife Trudy are in Maryland in the pharmaceutical industry. **Robin E. Carreiro** has traveled to Club Med in St. Moritz three times, but skiing seems to be a bit of a jinx sport for her. **Amy Brown Fraser** and husband **John '83** have been moving a bit and having babies: they have three now and brought great pictures of the kids at their home in Connecticut. Keeping with the Donlon '80 - 81 crowd, **Jenny (Hubbard)** and **Greg Garner** came in from Denver, CO, where they live with their children, Geoffrey and Selby. **Luis M. Gomez** is a meteorologist from Miami, FL, who danced up a storm with young son Luis and wife Beverly. **Kevin Hunt** and his wife joined the ranks of the Donlon parents partying without children! Janet Insardi (our walking Donlon encyclopedia) is living in a new house in Roslyn, NY, and snuck her dog, Houston, into the dorm because she couldn't find a kennel!

Brian K. Files married Jessica Mallet on Mar. 13, '99, in Gainesville, FL. They had a beautiful garden wedding with an equally beautiful reception afterwards. Classmates in attendance were: **Mike W. Miles**, Dr. **Bill Zempsky** and wife Jana sans their two sons, **Mike Whiting** and wife **Wendy (Zeh) '85** and their two adorable daughters. Brian and Jessica honeymooned in Spain a month later, so they could attend the wedding of fellow Cornellian **Bob Koenig '83**. Dr. **David Anapolle** and wife Sherri have children Jared, 4, and Jacob, 4 months. They have recently relocated to the New Jersey Shore where David joined Pace Orthopedics and Sports Medicine. **Robert A. Feinberg** has a son, James Marshall, who is almost 2 years old now! Mean-

while, **Joe Korn**, BS Eng '85, just had his second daughter, Jennifer Eve, in April 1999. **Wayne Hartung** has 18-month-old twins, Allison and Hayes, who are "keeping mom and dad very busy!" Wayne is in his sixth year as chief meteorologist at WEHT-TV (local ABC affiliate) in Evansville, IN. He won a regional Emmy in 1998 for a 30-minute severe weather special that he wrote and produced. Congratulations, Wayne!

Adrienne Bell Podell and husband Scott have kids Aaron, 6, Elena, 5, and Jake, 2. Adrienne is in private practice psychotherapy, working part-time and specializing in children and families. Scott is a dentist who just earned his MPH from Columbia. **Beth Isaacs** Wonski was named vice president of planning and allocation for Loehmann's last fall. She and husband Tony have a 7-year-old son, Matthew, who loves baseball and Pokemon.

Felicia A. Zekauskas had her first children's book published (with co-author/co-illustrator Peter Maloney) called *Redbird at Rockefeller Center*, 1997, Penguin Putnam. It was selected as an American Bookseller Holiday Pick-of-the-List and a bestseller at FAO Schwartz. She has a second book coming out this month called *The Magic Hockey Stick*, about a child who comes into possession of Wayne Gretzky's hockey stick, 1999 Penguin Putnam. For more information, visit: www.redbirdland.com. ♦ **Karla Sievers McManus**, 1465 Hooksett Rd., #299, Hooksett, NH 03106; e-mail, klorax@aol.com; and **Lindsay Liotta Forness**, 68 Blackheath Park, London, SE3 0ET, England; e-mail, 106064.1262@compuserve.com. Class website address: www.cornell84.org.

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As Labor Day approaches and leaves begin to change here in the Northeast, back-to-school time finds some of us packing off preschoolers or returning to the classroom as teachers. But still, our thoughts often turn to Cornell at this time of year. Some of us freshened our memories in June, returning to campus to celebrate our ten-year reunion on a glorious summer weekend.

In all, 522 members of our class converged in Ithaca for Reunion '99, bringing along spouses, friends, and children for a total of more than 750 people. Thanks to **Kara Vanneman Klein**'s wonderful planning and organizing, and **Debbie L. Schaffel**'s long hours dedicated to pre-registering classmates, reunion was a huge success. Attendees hailed from as far away as Hong Kong, Ukraine, Slovakia, Switzerland, and England, as well as right in town: **Sudeep Bhatia** made the move back to Ithaca just two days before reunion! Familiar faces and campus landmarks were spiced with new looks: baby front carriers and minivans galore, **Seth Johnson**'s new contacts, **Chris Napierala**'s short hair, more highrises in Collegenetown, and ongoing construction on Lincoln and Goldwin Smith halls.

The weekend was filled with fun events, reminiscences, and sunshine. Class headquarters in U-Hall 1 bustled as classmates got reacquainted. It could have been freshman year,

with friends yelling plans from dorm windows and trooping up the hill in packs. At night, however, as the tent parties rocked up on the Arts Quad, baby monitors and beers replaced late-night study sessions for those who stuck close to the dorms. Adding to the nostalgia was President Emeritus Frank Rhodes, whose address to our class at Saturday's lunch highlighted memorable events of our years at Cornell. Many of us also met President Hunter Rawlings and wife Elizabeth Rawlings for the first time, when they attended a Friday evening reception at our class headquarters.

The '89ers' black baseball caps mingled with straw boaters and red blazers as the campus hummed with returnees celebrating 40- and 50-year reunions as well as those less momentous. Campus-wide events included bird walks at Sapsucker Woods, an all-alumni luncheon at Barton Hall, and athletic events. Several classmates participated in the golf tournament at the newly refurbished **Robert Trent Jones**, SP Ag '28-30, Golf Course with **Shepard Jacobson** winning the consolation prize of a golf towel. Details were not provided on exactly how he qualified for this prize, but I have a feeling he's marking his calendar for a comeback in 2004. Three classmates won medals in the 5-mile Reunion Run including: **Theodore Schoenberg**, first place in the male 30-39 division, **Philip Goodrum**, second in males 30-39, and yours truly, second in females 30-39. An '89er made his mark in the Alumni Baseball Game as well: **Paul Kisslinger** left a vapor trail on Hoy Field and was just inches from knocking one out of the park.

One of the business aspects of reunion was to choose class officers for the next five years. We are fortunate to have our hardworking president, **Elise Billings Hamann**, BA '90, continuing in this position through 2004. Joining Elise in our class leadership will be **Rob Chodock** and **Melinda Fellner** Bramwit, vice presidents; **Gretchen Ede** Brooks, secretary; **Carolyn F. Day**, treasurer; **Erika S. Ange**, **Carol A. Borack** and **Debbie L. Schaffel**, reunion chairs; **Joy Higa**, **Tom Nemeth**, **Jamie Platt** Lyons, and **Leslie Scheidt** Redd, Cornell Fund representatives; and **Karen A. Little**, **Sonia Parra Zuna**, **Frank Manetta**, **Laurie Daniels** Scaglione, **Jeannette Van Deusen** Troiano, **Abby Pomerantz** Rothschild, **Joel Seligman**, BS Ag '91, **Mindy Schechter**, **Robyn Wesler** Landow, and **John** and **Laura Pearlman Kaufman**, class councilors. Thank you to all these volunteers and thanks, also, to the retiring class officers! If anyone else is interested in serving on the class council, please e-mail Elise at ehamann@ids.net.

Stephanie Bloom Avidon and I will be continuing as class correspondents, and are pleased to be joined by **Mike McGarry** and **Lauren A. Hoeflich**. Mike and his wife, **Lauren (Kidder)**, attended reunion with their then 18-month-old son, Thane. They live near Buffalo, in West Valley, NY, where Mike works for a large environmental firm and also runs an Internet-based business out of his home. Lauren Hoeflich had to cancel her plans

to attend reunion at the last minute due to a death in the family, but writes, "I would truly love to hear from anybody I knew back then, especially anyone in the Chicago area!" Lauren, who earned her law degree from UCLA, moved from Los Angeles to Chicago in July. Look for Mike's and Lauren's contact information at the end of this column, and get them off to a fun start as correspondents by sending them lots of news.

Many babies made their debuts at reunion including Charlotte Joy Barton, born in October 1998 to **Carlo** and **Jennifer Aliski Barton**, and Robert and Andrew Hamann, identical twins born Jan. 10, '99 to **Jim Hamann**, ME AES '90, MBA '91, and Elise (Billings). Those who didn't make it this time but whom we'll look for as five-year-olds in 2004 include Alison Ruth Schulte, born Jan. 16, '99, to **Paul Schulte** and wife Krista of Ann Arbor, MI; and Cate Kai Ming Paterson, born Apr. 3, '99, to **Andy Paterson** and wife Jenny Lim in New York City.

Some other happy news I've been waiting to share for a while: **Randi Rimerman** married Howard Serota on July 4, '98, in Bayville, NY. **Traci Rimerman '86** was the maid of honor, and **Ellen Toporoff** Noteware and **Ilissa Rubinstein** Sternlicht were bridesmaids. Ellen's eldest daughter, Madison, was the flower girl. Guests included **Catie E. Blackler**, **Intra Krumins** Germanis, and **Lane Blumenfeld**. Two weeks after the wedding, Ilissa gave birth to a daughter, Rachel Jade Sternlicht. After living in Washington for seven years and working as a trial attorney at the Dept. of Justice for the past four years, Randi recently relocated to Philadelphia, where she is an attorney with Duane, Morris & Heckscher.

Just the weekend before reunion, **Jason Grode**, BA '90, attended a classmate's wedding: **Phil Marriott** married Susannah Taylor in Memphis, TN. Cornellians attending included best man **Kenneth "Russ" Lamotte** and guests **Matt Milner**, **Kim Griffinger** Wachtel, **Malia M. Mills**, BS HE '90, and **Julie Stern**. Phil and Susannah live in New York City. Jason has been living in Los Angeles for the past seven years and currently is the producer of "Futurama," a television show on Fox. He has also been involved with The Simpsons and other entertainment industry projects.

Other newlyweds at reunion included **Stuart**, MRP '94, and **Patricia Levy Zuckerman**. Patty and Stuart are big fans of Cornell events, having met at a Cornell Happy Hour in Washington, DC. They were married Apr. 18, '99, in Washington, DC, and at reunion reported that they were building a house in the Friendship Heights section of DC. Patty, who holds a master's in public health, does consulting work with pharmaceutical companies, and Stuart is a builder.

With that, I'll close the book on Reunion '99. Mark your calendars for June 2004, have a great five years, and in the meantime, please keep in touch by sending your news to one of the following four correspondents! ❖ **Anne Czaplinski** Treadwell, 105 Overlake Park,

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It was like summer camp for adults but without the archery. It was like a three-day wedding reception, but without the wedding. From June 10-13, over 600 classmates returned to the Hill for a weekend of nostalgic celebration. We ate. We drank. We were never bored. During the day, Ithaca blessed us with sun (perhaps too much—the lawns were baked), while at night, the light breezes were perfect for dancing.

Reunion got off to a good start on Thursday; the first arrivals checked into Clara Dickson Hall before heading to The Palms for St. Shafer's. On Friday, some of us embarked on winery tours while others visited their old haunts. There were many cries of surprise, delight, and/or consternation as we absorbed the changes, including the new high rises in Collegetown and the renovation of Ives, Tjaden, and Sage Hall. That evening, Billy Bob Jack's BBQ provided us with chicken and ribs before we headed off to the Arts Quad for big band, r&b, and contemporary music.

Some of Saturday's events: **Seth Kaufman** gave a concert in Barnes Auditorium; President Rawlings spoke at Bailey Hall, and the Class of '94 took a group photo at the Ezra Cornell statue. The highlight of the day was Happy Hour at the Biotechnology Building where we were treated to a performance by the Hangovers and an appearance by President Emeritus Frank H.T. Rhodes who joked that his middle initials actually stood for Hot Truck. I'd like to thank **Laurie Taylor**, **Liza A. Brown**, **Betsy L. McAfee**, and the rest of the reunion committee who are surely still recovering from a most impressive weekend.

And now for some of the news I collected while interrogating people over pizza and wings in the after-hours tents (among other places): **Maurine Brand** is married and practicing law in San Diego. **Daniel Chernin** graduated from law school in NYC and will start work at Shearman and Sterling this fall. Also in NY is **Esther H. Cohen**, who is working in legal publishing and also finding time to act. Last fall, she made her local theater debut in an experimental piece at the Kraine. **Terrence Danial** has started a company that places public internet kiosks in Latin America, "providing internet access in locations as diverse as airports and pubs."

Charlie Larsen is in his second year of dental school at the U. of Pennsylvania. **John A. "Jack" Hughes**, ME MAT '97, is an electronic packaging engineer for Lockheed Martin. He and wife Amy bought a house in Falls Church, VA, and now live down the street from **Howard Lu**. **Carly J. Powell**, who is based in San Francisco at Oracle, worked in Parsippany, NJ, for a couple of months. She reported on a handful of friends: **Sandip**

Tarafdar is working in Washington, DC. **Eric Dickstein** is also based in DC and working for PricewaterhouseCoopers; he is living temporarily on his boat in Tampa. **Jeff Lawrence** graduated from Columbia business school this year and is in NYC. **Sergai Delamora** is a medical resident in NYC and was married on June 12.

Other weddings: **Leigh Dyson** and **Jeff Geller** tied the knot on May 22. In attendance were **Jessica E. Leone**, **Nazlee Vahid**, **Amy Andola '96**, **Eliza M. Dyson '98**, **Scott Brucker**, **Gina (Acquaviva)** and **Todd Bogda**, **Meghan Concannon**, and **Katie E. Bunstein**, BS Ag '95. **Marcia Firestone** married **Joseph Paltenstein** on Oct. 18, '98 and bought a house in North Brunswick, NJ. Cornellians at the wedding were: **Ellen E. Tessler**, **Roe Amit**, **David Goetzl**, **Julie J. Kim**, **Jeanette P. Yee**, **Romy J. Bakhru**, **Ryan Wagoner '93**, **Neel Chopdekar '95**, and **Anita Szwest**, who graduated from Pitt medical school. Rounding out the nuptials, **Bennett Myers** married last fall and is now doing his medical residency at Duke.

Travel was in the cards for a few graduates: **Larisa Alonso** left June 27 for Belo Horizonte, Brazil, where she'll be working at the Centro de Pesquisas Rene Rachou for six months, researching a parasitic infection called Chagas disease. **Jennifer (Quin)** and **Kurt Henninger** are living in Germany where Kurt is stationed in the Army.

Stateside, **Angie (Fernandez)** and **Mike Winchell**, living in Boston, were happy to report that **Cam McLeod** and **Kate (Reynolds)** had made the move back East, and that **John Kapitan** and wife Denise had a beautiful baby girl, Avery. **Dorothy C. Kim** moved to Los Angeles to work for a law firm, while **Eugenie B. Van Wynen** was off to San Francisco. Now for some updates on the engineers: Recently, **Joe Giessner** moved to Santa Ana, CA, to work for a software consulting company. **Sean Andersson** is earning his PhD in electrical engineering at the U. of Maryland. They both reported that **Jung Y. Baek** is working in technical sales and marketing at Baltimore Aircoil and that **Mike Terry** is working toward his PhD at Georgia Tech. **Brian Keck** is in St. Paul doing software engineering for Medtronic.

Now for some news from last year (no kidding, with these bi-monthly issues and three-month lead times, we end up amassing a lot of old news). **Matthew Solomon**, MBA '95, married Kari Johnston on Oct. 11, '98. The Cornellian contingent included **Michael D. Solomon '92**, **Parag Raje**, **Mike Lebowich** and wife **Jenna (Saidel)**, **Susan M. Greenwood**, **Jessica N. Mittler**, **Paul Breitenbach '92**, MBA '95, **Melissa Benjamin Leff '90**, **Alison Solomon '01**, **Michael Needleman**, MBA '95, **David Bloomfield**, MBA '95, **Nancy Y. Mao**, MBA '95, and **Linda D. Schwabenbauer**, MBA '95.

Last September, **Kristin (Barbato)** and **Brian Nisula** said their vows in the presence of many alumni. Wrote Kristin, "My sister, **Amy C. Barbato '97**, was my maid-of-hon-

or and my bridesmaids were **Sara L. Gur**, **Jenn R. Wendling '95**, MPA '97, and **Alison Ford Balan '95**, MPA '97. Brian's best man was **Todd Adler '93** and one of his groomsmen was **Matt Oakes**. We went to Bermuda and golfed on our honeymoon. Now we live in Hollywood, FL. Brian is a trader and I am a consultant in the utilities industry."

For all those who missed reunion, be sure to attend our 10th! In the meantime, keep generating and sending your news. ♦ **Dika Lam**, 204 E 90th St., Apt 4E, NYC 10128; e-mail, DikaEsme@aol.com.



Seventy-something regular, possibly chronic, reuners found their way back to the brown hills of Ithaca (there had been, believe it or not, a shortfall of spring rain) for the 93rd convocation of the Continuous Reunion Club (CRC).

You could say there was intergenerational interaction. **Si Wild '29** made it back from Advance, NC, and so did **Lisa Everts '92**, all the way across Ithaca.

There was plenty to do, as always, from the tents to President Hunter R. Rawlings III's report on the state of the school. Besides Lester Thurow's comments in the **Spencer T. '21** and Ann W. **Olin** lecture, there were an alumni baseball game and other outdoor activities, a panel on race relations at Cornell (a project of 1960s notable **C. David Burak '67**, MFA '80, co-sponsored by the Classes of '69 and '99 and CRC), large alumnal gatherings in Barton Hall, assorted intellectual exercises, a spot of milk punch here and there, and, in fact, more university-wrought attractions than could be adequately described in the space available on this entire page.

On Reunion Fridays, CRC lunches in the Statler with coaches and friends of Cornell sports. Retired Baseball Coach Ted Thoren led off the speakers with his own personal pungent wit again. Golf Coach Dick Costello thanked the members for a donation CRC made to his team. Football Coach Pete Mangurian began with a salute to the dedication to excellence shared by the many coaches of other teams who were present in the gathering of about 90. He said his team will be young again and it will keep getting better. Outgoing Director of Athletics **Charles Moore '51**, BME '52, made his farewell-to-CRC address, with kind words for the members and renewed calls for excellence in the athletic program. He pointed out that the graduation rate for Cornell student-athletes is higher than that of the rest of the university. The lunch bunch heard that **Lauren Thal '00**, our **Joe Driscoll '44** Cornell Tradition fellow, is entering her final year and eyeing law school. **Gerry Grady '53** gave the financial report and called for a silent moment for the late **Jim Mullane '35** and **Howard M. Smith '51**, members whom we have lost in the past year. Between the planned portions of the weekend, conversation was perpetrated in the CRC headquarters, the **Jerome Holland '39** Low Rise #8 International Living Center on the North

Campus. The world is a better place today for all the solutions to its problems that have emerged from those colloquies.

Lee Morton '54, BS Hotel '55, a giant among Big Red basketball players, had a keen eye for the rim when he was 21 and he was able to find the cup at reunion. His 79 was low gross in the men's competition of the 1999 Reunion Golf Tournament. **Tom Clements '49** at 96 (minus 25, equaling 71) won third place for low net.

Saturday night dinner for a CRC cadre took a couple of dozen out East Shore Drive to the Branches restaurant for leisurely country dining. **Lou Pradt '53**, BME '54, (clarinet) and **Tom Foulkes '52**, BME '53, (piano) provided pre-prandial diversion a la Rodgers and Hart. At the end, those assembled lifted the chorus a *cappella* before speeding onward to Bailey Hall for Cornelliana Night. There, semi-new member **Martha Slye Sherman '73**, MPS HHS '75, president of the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO), welcomed CRC—the group, as she said, which comes back every year. That drew applause.

And so to the tents. But before we part for the year, hail, all hail CRC Reunion Clerks **Deborah Alexandre '99** and **Andrew Janis '02** and the ladies of Alumni House, notably Deanna Quvus. ♦ **Jim Hanchett '53**, 300 1st Ave., NYC 10009.

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CLASS NOTES



Among the responses to the May/June '24 column (all of which were most welcome) is one from **Torey Coquillette '97**, a great-granddaughter of **Walter Rebmann**, recipient of a Class of 1924 Memorial Scholarship Fund award for each of her undergraduate years. I would like to share Torey's letter with you:

"Yesterday I received my May/June issue of the *Cornell Magazine* that included your class column on the Class of 1924 Memorial Fund. As a former scholarship recipient, I was so glad to read the story of **Thomas Carey Hennings Jr.**, and I wanted to write to you and the members of the class to share with you what I have been doing and what my future plans are.

"After graduating in 1997, I moved to Boston and currently work for the Center for Research on Women at Wellesley College. I am the project coordinator of an initiative to help community organizations and schools in rural areas run programs for children and families. It is very rewarding work, and I know I am making a difference in the lives of some of the poorest children in America.

"This summer I will be moving to St. Louis to attend Washington U. I will be enrolled in a four-year joint degree program in law and social work, and will be earning both my JD and MSW. I was very fortunate to be given a fellowship from the university that will cover my tuition for all four years. It is quite an honor, and I am truly thrilled.

"The Class of 1924 Scholarship is still making a difference in my life today, and I wanted you to know that. I was able to avoid taking out large loans to pay for college, so now my loan payments are small enough that I am able to work for a non-profit organization, where the salaries are less, but where my work really helps people. I am still very appreciative of your gift, and I know my great-grandfather, Walter Rebmann '24, would be very proud. Yours sincerely, Torey Coquillette. P.S. Enclosed is a picture of me and my sister at my Cornell graduation."

It is simply wonderful to receive a letter like the above, indicating what a tremendous influence Cornell and the '24 Scholarship Fund have had on her life and how much she appreciates all that both have done for her. It is also deeply satisfying to know that these benefits will be there for other deserving Cornell students, year after year, for all time.

If I were a fortune teller, I would not hesi-

tate to predict that, one of these days, Torey Coquillette could be recognized as one of the country's outstanding women. The men and women who established and nurtured the '24 Scholarship Fund will not be around to witness this, but the memory of their support and interest in you, Torey, could still serve to lead you on. ♦ **Max Schmitt**, RR 5, Box 2498, Brunswick, ME 04011-9632.



Dear Friends: Thanks to **Dora Wagner Conrath** and **Sylvia Gluck Grossman '38** for sending news about **Helen Lipschitz** Glick, who is recovering from a fall, at Dunwoody Cottage 116, 3500 West Chester Pike, Newtown Square, PA 19073. Sylvia is Fred Glick's cousin. (And thanks for reading my column, Sylvia.) The step-son of **Oleta Johnson** Ross informs us that "my step-mother is living in a nursing home called Mariner Health of DeLand. She is now 95. I'm sure she would enjoy receiving announcements from Cornell and letters from classmates." Her address: 1200 Stone St., DeLand, FL 32720.

Bernice Morrison Beaman reminds us that her husband, **Orson '29**, passed away in September 1998 after 6-1/2 years in a nursing home. "I am a volunteer patient representative at Glens Falls Hospital and recently received an award for 2,000 hours of service. (What splendid diligence, Bea!) I still can read and knit and drive—and my teeth are my own! I'd love to come to Reunion in 2000, but I need a chauffeur to get there." (Any offers from anyone in that area? Bea lives at 36 Dorlon Dr., Queensbury, NY 12804.)

Isabelle Mitchell Thomas has moved from sunny Florida to Redmond, WA, in the middle of a rainy winter but, "at least it doesn't snow here in the Seattle area." Oh yes, it does sometimes, Isabelle, but it never lasts long. **Jane E. "Beth" Ross** Moore writes from Pagosa Springs, CO, that her health permits her to live alone, for which she is grateful; she values her independence.

Some sad news: **Eloisa Marin** Guy passed away on Sept. 20, 1998. "She was a great lady and good friend," my informant (a non-relative) tells us. **Dorothy Wertz** Tyler, PhD '36, informs us that **Ellen Ann Dunham** Williams '32 died on Mar. 17, 1999. In senior year, living in brand new Balch, **Ida Auch**, MA '31, **Dorothy Wertz** Tyler, PhD '36, and Ellen

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Ann fell into conversation on the stair landing, starting a life-long friendship. Now Dorothy is sole survivor of the threesome. She has been joined in her big house by son **Jim Tyler, PhD '69**, recently divorced, who has a year's work ahead of him, sorting and arranging the papers and books of a donor to the local college. He will also be teaching a class in Latin. Best of all, he likes to cook. Son George Tyler II, a practicing doctor, lives nearby and is very helpful. As Dorothy wrote all this, she was about to go out to a musical concert with the two of them; result, a happy family arrangement.

In this same issue of *Cornell Magazine* appear accounts of Reunion 1999, which I hope will inspire you to return to Ithaca and participate in the many happenings of Reunion 2000. They get better every year! My best wishes to all our readers! ♦ **Joyce Porter** Layton, 1029 Danby Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850.

My recently published notes reporting the death of **Milton S. Gould**, JD '33, indicated that there would be a further installment regarding Milt. Since then, I have received a number of '33 News Forms which I'll cover next time. I will limit this report to Milt's journalistic role as an undergraduate. He was a member of the *Daily Sun* Board and an associate editor at the time the "great" Hugo N. Frye episode became notorious, nationally. Some of us, over the years, suspected and credited Milt with conceiving the Frye hoax which was carried out in the name of the *Sun* and resulted in embarrassment to high government officials. The "plot," although only a prank, was considered ingenious and, therefore, within Milt's capabilities. Milt always firmly denied any involvement; he did to me, shortly after our 60th Reunion when I became class correspondent. I interviewed Milt because I was doing a profile of him, and I wanted to know if the late Prof. Morris Bishop's report of the Frye incident in his book, *A History of Cornell*, was correct. Prof. Bishop said in his book that another colleague and classmate, the late **Lester Blummer**, (profiled on page 98 of the 1930 *Cornellian*) was the genius or culprit. Milt's name was not even mentioned in the report, and he firmly denied to me that he had been involved in any way. (My impression was that he felt that participation in such a prank was not journalistically proper, but he did not say so.) [This might provoke a debate and would be grist for the mill and satisfy the class column's continuing need for news.] ♦ **Ben Cottone**, 8755 Misty Creek Dr., Sarasota, FL 34241; tel. and fax, (941) 926-8755.



The first News Forms have been returned to me from the spring News and Dues mailing. **A. Haslup "Has" Forman** (Blakehurst Retirement Home, Apt. 526, 1055 W. Joppa Rd., Towson, MD 21204) evidently sent in his dues very promptly without taking the time to add any news. His handwriting is still very legible, so his fingers are apparently strong enough to write and hold a glass.

Clara Lubin Pye (165 Skyline Dr.,

Middlebury, CT 06762) under "Travel/Vacation" (I should have omitted that "vacation" category; most of us are on permanent vacation now.) writes: "I drive up to a spa in Massachusetts from time to time, swim for a few hours every day, tell stories about the Great Depression, make people laugh, and am regarded by angst-driven baby-boomers as a role model!" Under "Career News" she says: "Present career is working at being an independent old lady. Live alone, still drive, go out to breakfast every day." Her "Leisure Activities" are: "Talk to anyone who will listen, take care of my house and health, stay away from doctors, listen on the phone to my friends' troubles, try to avoid talking about my own, and create laughter." Then she asks some questions I am sure many of you would like answered: "How many graduates were there in the Class of 1931? Men? Women? How many attended the 65th Reunion? Men? Women?" Unfortunately, I don't have the figures here and I am already past my deadline, so I can't furnish any official figures. I'll try to get them for the next issue. In the meantime, the 1931 *Cornellian* listed 670 men and 252 women in the senior class. The "flat list" of all persons who at one time or another were considered members of the Class of 1931 has about 1,100 names on it. Of those, there are only about 200 believed to be still living and for whom the university has "mailable addresses." According to a list in my files, 28 '31der men and 11 women attended the 65th Reunion in 1996.

Ruth "Happy" Laible Tallmadge (81 Coniston Dr., Rochester, NY 14610) is certainly still getting around more than many of us. Under "Travel" she lists: "Spent a great week with family in January at Rincón de Quabites (my translation of Happy's Spanish longhand) in Mexico. In February went on a cruise through the Panama Canal; in March went 'skiing' at Sunday River in Maine with family." Those quotes around "skiing" are hers and she doesn't list a hospital stay in April, so she is either a good skier, very prudent, or both. **Rosemary Hunt**Todd (760 Cambridge Blvd. S.E., Grand Rapids, MI 49506) sent in both bad news and good. "This has been a very sad year since my husband of 63 years passed away suddenly and unexpectedly last July. However, a memorable occasion happened just a month before in that we had had an early celebration of his 90th birthday with all of our children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and many friends on hand. We all danced up a storm." She adds, "At present I am remaining in our home and keep busy maintaining it, enjoying my book groups, and occasional travel."

Joe Cuzzi, CE '34, (251B Heritage Hills Dr., Somers, NY 10589) under "Family Events" reports: "Our daughter and son gave me a beautiful 90th birthday party on Dec. 6, '98. Twenty-two people were there, making it a wonderful affair for me and all the family. 90th! Wow!" Under "Travel" and other activities he says, "Very limited; my heart attack last July doesn't give me much moving around

Woman in Uniform

EMILY GORMAN '31

Emily Gorman was headed for a life in academia—until she picked up a newspaper and read about a Congressional bill allowing women into mainstream military service. In 1942, she stopped teaching high school, tucked her double major in economics and English into her back pocket, and joined up. Says Gorman: "I was a bit of a pioneer."

Until that point, the only women in the army were nurses. Gorman and her 150,000 fellow enlistees were an American novelty: the first non-medical women ever to be officers in the United States Army. From 1945 to 1946, Gorman served with the Allied Control Authority in Berlin. She moved up through the military ranks to colonel and was appointed the sixth director of the Women's Army Corps in 1962. Even after she retired in 1966, Gorman continued to work on behalf of her fellow soldiers, lobbying in Congress to pass the bill that ultimately lifted the limitation on the rank women could achieve—clearing the way for others, including Nancy Adams '68, to attain the rank of general. "Life in the army is a twenty-four-hour-a-day challenge," says Gorman. "You are continually pressed to do your best."

—Josie Aaronson-Gelb '99



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room." But he closes with an upbeat, "However, life is wonderful and we enjoy as much of it as we can!"

Faithful correspondent **Wilbur F. "Bill" Pease** (33A Sherwood Forest, Wappingers Falls, NY 12590) sent in a full page of update reporting his 90th birthday celebration at the Fishkill Health Center, where his wife lives. It was attended by some 60 residents and friends, including the owner and CEO of the Center, **Lynn Kasin '62**. Bill says Lynn runs a "competent and compassionate" operation. He notes under "Travel" that his daughter and son-in-law took this graduate of Binghamton Central High School "back to his 'roots' in Sayre and Binghamton." Bill added an interesting historical note about his career as State 4-H leader at Cornell. "Until the mid-'60s black 4-H youths could not attend a National 4-H Congress. With a great assist by President Lyndon Johnson, I presented a plan which made it possible." This would have been about the same time that President Perkins of Cornell started his program of increasing the representation of minorities in the Cornell community. Bill was in tune with the times. ♦ **Bill Vanneman**, Thirwood Pl. #250, 237 N. Main St., S. Yarmouth, MA 02664-2079; tel., (508) 760-4250.

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Some time ago **Jim Oppenheimer** suggested I ask **Charlotte Prince** Ryan if she remembered the time when she,

a *Cornell Sun* reporter, almost got the paper sued for something-or-other. I followed through and in January 1998, Charlotte "gave me the facts!" as follows. "In the winter of 1929-30 there was a serious riot at Auburn Prison, which was not resolved without considerable violence. The papers were immediately demanding whose fault it had been.

"At that point, it seems that Harvard Law School Dean Roscoe Pound had been scheduled to speak at Cornell Law School. It was a previously planned event, but of course he received a flood of questions on the riot and especially on the matter of fault.

"Two law students, who knew I was a 'compet' for a position on the *Cornell Sun* staff, stopped by on their way home and said, "Hey! we have a story for you!" It seems that Dean Pound, thinking he was among friends who had discretion, shared his opinion that the warden was at fault. My fairly brief and probably disjointed story on this was accepted that night. The next morning the wires were hot—from Albany, as well as from other papers; and I expect, from Cambridge. About all I remember is the *Sun* editors writing carefully

about 'the compet,' without gender, but two or three days later somebody mentioned 'she' and the controversy was hot again.

"I made myself scarce, and it seemed to blow over. I have no idea whether the fault was indeed pinned on the warden or whether Dean Pound suffered from the incident." ♦ **Martha Travis** Houck, 421 Monroe St., Bridgewater, NJ 08807; tel., (908) 526-7417.

The copy I submitted for the July/August issue was over-long and it preempted the space which is usually occupied by material dealing with the distaff side of our class notes. **Martha Travis** Houck, good sport that she is, generously agreed to accommodate my greed and for that I am heavily in her debt.

Perhaps I have written more than enough about the Hugo N. Frye hoax (issue of March/April 1999) but what the talking heads on television call "late-breaking news" deserves mention. A letter came to me from Dr. **Abram S. Benenson '33**, MD '37, from which the following is an excerpt:

"It is difficult to be too positive about events of close to 70 years ago. As I remember, **Lester A. Blumner '30** was involved with the 'Berry Patch' and he approached me, an inconspicuous undergraduate, about participating in the 'secret project.' I stored the letters we received in my underwear drawer where they remained until the facts of the hoax were revealed. . . ." I wrote to Bud to thank him for the additional information and told him that the fact that he hid the responses in his underwear drawer gives this ancient prank a certain piquancy. . . sort of like Whitaker Chambers and the Pumpkin Papers.

Donald A. Russell and **Isabel (Guthrie) '33**, BS HE '34, sent us a note some time ago saying: "We're now permanently (we expect) located in a new and comfortable apartment in Florida. All is well. Greetings to all our Cornell friends." The address is 813 Freedom Plaza Cir., Apt. 104, Sun City Center, FL 33573. ♦ **James W. Oppenheimer**, 140 Chapin Pkwy., Buffalo, NY 14209-1104.

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Your class correspondent, as June 1999 comes around, is full of memories of our 65th Reunion last June and the fun we had at the Savage Club concert with Street Car Sam. This is the first report time when I have very little to report:

Norma Kenfield Pieters wished she could have attended last year to hear the familiar songs and see the old and new sights. She asks about a "Princeton Alumni College at which an outstanding teacher-on-the-environment, etc., was Henry Horn. Any relation?" Sure! the secretary's oldest son, a professor of environmental and ecological biology at Princeton was the one. Norma suggests we think about the ways we list women, which would take into account their changed customs!

Shepard G. "Shep" Aronson, BA '34, '37, MD, spent ten weeks avoiding New York ice and snow in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, and hopes to make that 12 to 14 weeks in the year 2000. He is going to Niagara-on-the-Lake

with Adult University (CAU) and will, with three wonderful professors, attend the Shaw Festival. He suggests it for anyone who loves the theater. (66 Hickory Hill Rd., Tappan, NY 10983-1804.) **Arthur P. "Art" Buzzini** is taking trips (nationally, only): San Francisco, Napa Valley, New York City, Port Aransas, TX, Laredo. His hobbies are growing roses, salt water fishing, and taking trips. (1414 Wiltshire, San Antonio, TX 78209-6051; summertime, Cape Cod.)

Robert Hugh "Bob" Miller passed away at home on Feb. 25, '99. He was the owner and operator of Miller Flowers for over 50 years. He enjoyed his communications with Cornell. (835 College Ave., Racine, WI 53403.) His son, Geoffrey, was killed while delivering food in February last year. Bob was a talented musician who played saxophone, clarinet, and bassoon. He had arranged music for many bands in NYC, and played on cruise ships, himself. He was very active in Racine civic life.

Lt. Col. **Alfred W. Bennett** reports: "This January, a moving experience came to my life. My granddaughter, Juliet, gave birth to a healthy baby boy, my first great-grandchild. Some of my classmates may have more than one great-grandchild, but I am happy with just one. His name, Jose Alfredo Gonzales. Best wishes. . ." (25215 Village 25, Camarillo, CA 93102.)

Mary Dorothy Welch Hubbard died on June 3, '98 in Gowanda, NY. Her husband is also deceased.

Your correspondent and his wife, **Catherine (Stainken) '36**, MS HE '39, have just had their second great-grandchild, who is also the grandchild of **Jean Horn** Swanson '62, MS HE '64. Send news. ♦ The Rev. **Henry E. Horn**, 49A Trowbridge St., Cambridge, MA 02138.

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When you receive this opus in September 1999, Cornell will be in the second month of the university year in which our great class of 1935 hits the road to Ithaca (June Y2K) for our 65th Reunion! **Viola Henry Miller** Mullane writes and urges all of us to come and give her and her co-chair, **Frances W. "Sancie" Lauman**, your super ideas for this historic event. Please let them know you are coming, too.

Ward Luther, of Freedom Village, Bradenton, FL, has a great idea. He has a nice family: four children, four grands, and two great-grandchildren. He wrote a letter to his grandchildren, all bound up in a scrapbook, with the story of his and his wife's lives and of their time (before radio, TV, computers, etc.) Copies were made for each of his children. In short, he recommends that we join him in a volunteer effort, called No Anonymous Grandparents (NAG). You've got nine months until reunion so bring your biographies! **Florence Nusim** Greville, of Charlottesville, VA, suggests giving everybody at reunion ten or 15 minutes in which to "sum-

marize his or her life history." (We may be limited in time to more like five minutes?) Florence, since the passing of her husband last year, keeps herself busy in a music club and helps the National Assn. of Retired Federal Employees (NARFE) and AAU, among others.

Frank Colling, of Utica, NY, proudly reports that his third-generation Cornelian granddaughter, **Mary Margaret Wicks '97**, daughter of **Margaret Colling Wicks '70**, is a member of a loyal Cornelian family. Frank walks four miles a day so he should be able to tread the Hill at our 65th.

Charles G. Ashe, BS Ag '36, of Fayetteville, NY, said, "We hope to attend" our 65th. **Earle R. Elmer** of Baltimore, MD, runs Meals on Wheels; frequently helps with Habitat for Humanity housing, and "chases after grandkids." Occasionally, "between escapades," he sees **John E. Hough '37**.

George Hawley, Syracuse, NY, injured his back in May 1998 and is now able to walk a limited amount. Last year, a Labor Day storm badly damaged his house. In October, after selling the house, he moved into the Regency retirement community. **Haiman S. Nathan** of Pompano, FL, is still a part-time salesman. He sent special greetings to Class President **Al Preston**, with whom he attended Bennett High School in Buffalo. Haiman and wife **Muriel (Silber) '36** celebrated their 61st wedding anniversary. Congratulations! Their son is **Peter Nathan '62**, Haiman says, "If I can still navigate, we might come to our 65th." He recently had lunch with **Bob Hamburger '36**. **G. "Kurt" Gudernatsch**, MD '39, of Salisbury, CT, said he hopes he can make it to our 65th, but said, "I'm practically housebound." Yet, he reports that he is still doing public health work for the town and state.

Tevis M. Goldhaft, DVM, living at the Quadrangle, Haverford, PA, says he exercises "as little as possible," but he serves on two boards of trustees in Philadelphia. His wife, Phyllis, is in the skilled nursing facility where they live. They have three children—**Linda Goldhaft Johnson '57**, **Judith Goldhaft Berg '61** and **Deborah Goldhaft**—five grands, and two great-grandchildren. In July 1999 they plan a family reunion in Detroit to celebrate his birthday. Tevis's daughter plans to drive him to our 65th, "if all goes well."

Vivian H. Melass, PhD '41, of Lake Jackson, TX, exercises daily to try to "last another decade or two," after having sustained a couple of falls. His wife, Barbara, passed away in August 1998. Vivian hopes to attend our 65th and, in July 1999, to attend his grandson's wedding in Jamaica.

Under the topic of brief notes I've received directly, I heard from classmates **Virginia (Lauder)** and **Henry Sayles** from their retirement home at Black Mountain, NC, inquiring about their magazine subscription but, including no news (unhappily for me).

Eslye Nelson Rappeport '36 wrote that our classmate **Ethel Shapiro** Cook had passed away in June 1998, adding that Ethel, "Always upbeat, had a special place in her heart for Cornell, especially the Class of 1935."

I must confess error in failing to note in my

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May/June 1999 column that **Lillian Bassen Moss** had shown her husband **Morris H. '31**, MA '32, as deceased. Lillian's news notes had included so many interesting activities, I just "goofed." Sorry about that!

Virginia (Sturtevant) '39 and I will be attending her 60th Reunion, June 10-13, and staying at the Statler. If any of you are on campus then, too, I hope I will see you. ♦ **Ed Miller**, 10101 Grosvenor Pl., #1515, Rockville, MD 20852; tel., (301) 530-0454.



Lt. Col. **Charles H. Leet**, in Chapel Hill, NC, where he spends his winters, moving to Old Town, ME, for the summer, wrote in January: "I am happy to report that we sailed through 1998 with very few glitches, if you disregard normal things like misplaced keys, glasses, names, places, papers, etc. At our Pushaw Lake, ME, camp, our short-season vegetable and herb garden outperformed all competition. We even made green tomato relish. My wife, Dorothy Skoggard, was gifted with an overdue replacement knee December 30th just in time for the New Year's Eve gala. We continue to enjoy an active extended life here at Carolina Meadows. I have learned to do household things like cooking, washing, etc. Playing better golf from a cart on our par 3 course; substituting armchair travel for the real thing is an added bonus."

Philip Burnham Jr., BA '38, wrote that he lives in Villanova, PA, and winters in Arizona. He takes occasional trips to visit his son, Prof. **Philip C. Burnham III '64**, in London and grandchildren: Emily, about to be a solicitor in London, and Mathew, about to be a PhD in biology. Philip is a member of a board on a charitable foundation in Philadelphia and is still active in ham radio after 62 years.

Robert and Katherine Evans Whitman Winans '41 celebrated their first wedding anniversary in Fort Myers, FL, on November 22. They got together with **Marshall Eldridge** and wife Mary during the summer when they were all on Cape Cod. Robert and Marshall were fraternity brothers and roommates in Seal and Serpent at Cornell. They hadn't seen each other for about 50 years. Robert and Katherine entertain at a local nursing home in Fort Myers once a week with keyboard and bongo drum. He said, "Life is great for both of us."

John "Jack" Wurst, in Albany, NY, wrote that the "good news" is that he is hale and hearty. They used to spend winters in the Florida Keys, but no more. They stay at home. Jack has a happy memory of Cornell and the Alumni Affairs address, 626 Thurston Ave., at which address he spent three years while at Cornell. ♦ **Allegra Law Ireland**, 125 Grant Ave. Ext., Queensbury, NY 12804-2640.



It was a special pleasure for **Arthur K. Harris** to attend the East Coast premiere of *Jolson Sings Again*, a new play by fraternity brother **Arthur Laurents** on opening night at the George Street Playhouse in New Brunswick, NJ. Art writes that it was a fine production, enjoyed by all. Meanwhile,

Art's grandson Isaac, with wife Heather, were well along the Appalachian Trail, planning to hike from Georgia to Maine. Many years ago Art and son Bob hiked portions of the Trail, and were perhaps partly an inspiration for the adventure.

Edward H. R. Blitzer is a board member of the Center for Defense Information in New York and a docent at the Bronx Zoo. He's an avid photographer, and also teaches English as a second language. Recently Ed and wife Nancy enjoyed traveling in northern France. Kudos to **William A. Buckhout** on winning the Super Senior 85s singles in Ft. Myers, FL, and reaching the finals of the 85 singles in Sanibel, FL, where Bill lives on Birdwatch Way.

In Middletown, CT, **Morton W. Briggs** and wife Kay keep active as what he calls "professional volunteers" in Red Cross, the Historical Society, their church, Rotary, the library, and the hospital thrift shop. In addition, Morton, although long since retired, still has "various duties" at Wesleyan U. where for 42 years he was professor of romance languages. De-

Gertrude Kaplan Fitzpatrick has stepped down from the job of '37 women's class correspondent. **Selma Block Green** will take over with the next issue. Please send news to her at the address below.

Thanks to **Dorothy Woodward Young**, who sent dues from St. Louis, MO, in March. Dorothy, please send news, too! The same request goes out to **Louise Lee** Robinson in Danville, KY; **Edith Campbell Matteson** in Reno, NV; **Mary Pratt** Kuhrt Peterson of Rutland, VT; **Elizabeth Stevenson Bennett**, MS ED '48, of Windsor, NY; **Jane Wilson Tidd** of W. Palm Beach, FL; and **Josephine Sloughter Coggshall**, BA '38, in Ithaca, all of whom sent dues (Thank You!) but no news. **Lois Haring** Holden sends dues and notes she has no new news. She volunteers for RSVP and Meals on Wheels. **Margaret Kincaid** Look writes that she was widowed Mar. 3, '99. You are in our thoughts, Margie.

Alice Wager Wicks (Mrs. **Wendell '36**) also sent dues in March, noting that she still works full-time at Great Valley Farm Museum, and keeps busy with church and retiree

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— CHARLES LEET '36

spite frequent travels abroad over the years, a 1998 visit to Warsaw and Krakow, Poland, and to Prague and Budapest provided their "first glimpse" of Eastern Europe, where they found the people friendly, interesting, and hardworking. This past spring they were in Paris for three weeks, and during the year have visited family, including five grandchildren, in Florida and Colorado.

John D. Henderson, on a riverboat trip on the canals in Holland, enjoyed the breathtaking beauty of the flowers blooming in profusion. He sends a big "thank you" to those who have taken responsibility for planning our 65th Reunion and says he is even looking forward to our 70th! Globetrotting **John G. Machemer** and **Bianca Barbone '53** visited Belize and traveled to Peru and Bolivia. They also joined a Great Trains of Europe tour from Rome to London via the Chunnel. When at home in North Carolina they tutor elementary school children.

Robert Euker, MS '50, and his wife are retired teachers. Bob was a guidance counselor and Clara taught home economics. They deliver Meals on Wheels, are active in their church in Harpursville, NY, and help with Cornell phonathons. A granddaughter, **Carrie A. Davies '01**, is in the College of Human Ecology.

Congratulations and best wishes to co-presidents **Edward** and **Doris Thompson Shineman** who celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in April! ♦ **Robert A. Rosevear**, 2714 Saratoga Rd., N., DeLand, FL 32720-1403.

groups. She also hosts a big family reunion each year.

Mary M. Weimer, in Clearwater, FL, reports, "Caribbean cruise last Thanksgiving week—touched down on Grand Cayman Island, Cancun, and Cozumel, Mexico." **Madge "Cricket" Jopson Wells** from Darien, CT, reports fully on the activities and educational accomplishments of three sons and six grandchildren, noting that her hobby is gardening. **Florence Cohen Strauss** has two sons, five grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren. Flo attends senior summer school, Senior Venture, or Adult Cultural camp each summer. She reports on a Thanksgiving visit to dentist son Theodore in Boca Raton, FL. Granddaughter Heather is an oral hygienist. "She has the same wonderfully gentle touch as her daddy," writes Flo. "Both worked on me when I was there, so I'm talking from experience." Still not retired from her shop, The Hanging Lamp Antiques, in Newtown, PA, **Beatrice Moore Stump** reports an "I love Cornell" bumper sticker in the shop spurs many conversations. She continues to winter with **Fran White** McMartin, **Claire Kelly** Gilbert, and **Dottie Bentley Witherspoon**. "We still sing Cornell songs." Also enjoy attending the monthly Sarasota alumni meetings, where we often have rewarding speeches from President Emeritus Frank Rhodes and/or President Hunter Rawlings." ♦ **Selma Block Green**, 15 Weaver St., Scarsdale, NY 10583; tel., (914) 472-0535.



A reminder to ALL golfing Cornellians out there that **Tom Rich** still heads that group soliciting cash to bring the Big Red course up to topnotch shape. The place for sending checks is: 5 Hawthorne Woods Ct., Skaneateles, NY 13152. While you're writing, don't forget whatever news you have about yourself or other '38ers is desperately needed by the gender-respective class correspondents; there is an erroneous rumor abroad that we get information for this column through some mystical power. And, if you have no smashing news, send one of us some clever comment, anecdote, or recollection of alumni or campus days.

Pres Weadon, MD '41, made it back to campus last year on the graduation of granddaughter **Mary Elizabeth "Molly" Weadon '98**, whose parents, **Mark** and **Anne Olson Weadon**, are both Class of '72. Pres says he's never seen the campus looking more beautiful (many other '38ers, there for our 60th a month later, have said the very same thing).

Cordt Rose, quoting an elderly but false saying as far as columnists go, says he has no news because he hasn't made any. **Alex Early** (bless him—he types his return postcard!) recently retired as president of the California Society of the Sons of the American Revolution, which runs a genealogical and historical library. He calls that tenure "a good hobby for a history major." In fact, with such help, he discovered he had four ancestors at Fort McHenry "during the Big Shoot." Alex so carefully raised two camellias from seed that they're of such commercial quality as to qualify for entering a nursery's stock in a few years.

Coleman "Coley" Asinof and **Norm Anderson** had a little mini-mini-reunion all

out of who-knows-where, but reunions need a few nudges and moving spirits. So how can we inspire another mini?" Well, the how-to of it is to express desire for another such event by letting Our Fearless Leader Harry Martien know you'd like to attend and, even more supportive, volunteer to do some work toward same, maybe even be a chairman.

Marty Beck, something of a media tycoon (at least to low-row participants in such pastures), to a piteous plea for news, happily responds, but includes, "It seems incomprehensible that a man who could interestingly fill a column is running out of material—Holy Shavelson!" (Constant readers will recognize the name of **Mel Shavelson '37**, the icon who used to mesmerize us with "Berry Patch" wizardry.) Marty's "still keeping a hand in the media business, owning with my son-in-law, Jim Champlin, radio stations in New England; still serve on the board of the TV company of which my son Stuart is president; as for recreation—some golf, some bridge, some second-guessing of the politicians." ♦ **Fred Hillegas**, 7625 E. Camelback Rd., Maya Apts., #220-A, Scottsdale, AZ 85251.

Recently I received a copy of a 1997 newspaper article written shortly after the death of **Mary Dixon** Goelz in Orinda, CA, and only regret not having seen it much sooner. We all remember her many college activities, which included academic honors such as Phi Kappa Phi, Mortar Board, and Omicron Nu, but also, Willard Straight Board, the *Sun* Board, the Glee Club, and others, as well as team sports. Whenever something was happening, "Dixie" was there first. With the advent of World War II, she enlisted in the Women's Army Air Corps and, as a lieutenant colonel,



Enid McKinney Cruse lives in Kendal at Ithaca. She is a retired Army nurse and is a member of the Retired Army Nurse

Corps Assn. She serves on some Kendal committees. I hope she made her granddaughter's wedding in Ft. Lauderdale, FL, in April 1999.

Carolyn Medl Schwarz is retired from some of the work involved with owning the Hollabird Kennels in Randolph, NJ. She is a member of Panther Valley Ecumenical Ministry College Club of Dover.

John Weiner, BA '41, is the book gatherer we've heard of before. His Free Books program raised \$170,000 for the homeless. He received the 1998 Westchester Civil Liberties Union Community Service Award. He's now working with the Bridge Fund which prevents homelessness by forestalling eviction wherever possible and feasible. Traveling most recently, he enjoyed a cruise of Western Europe, London to Lisbon and port cities along the way. For fun he is teaching his 4-year-old great-grandson, Dakota Hawkins, how to swing a tennis racket. However, his favorite toy is a miniature roulette wheel!

Elizabeth Gates Whitchurch took a camping trip with her daughter in their motor home to the "Blueberry Patch" in the Fingerlakes Park. They were thrilled to hear the famous "mystery guns of Seneca Lake" as they sat around the campfire. They receive the *NY State Conservationist* magazine, so are informed! As to their hopes to visit the Glacier National Park, I drove through there several years ago, spending the night on the Canadian side. The next morning I simply had to see it again so retraced my route to enjoy it again even though I was headed in the other direction.

While thinking of that "alone" journey, I'm certain to never be alone on a trip like that again! On June 26, '99, I committed to a loving covenant with a long-time friend, **Floyd Harwood**, SpAg '34-37, of East Hartford, NY, close to my cabin-tree farm in Washington County! He completed the two-year Ag course, then went on for four years at U. of Illinois, earning a master's in counseling many years later. His major interest now is giving tours through his restored grist mill and farm machinery museum. Floyd is well known in this area and has served four years as president of "SPOOM," Society for Preservation of Old Mills, a nationwide, plus Canada, group. So for this deadline, I'm very distracted, excited, and happy! ♦ **Carol Clark** Petrie, PO Box 8, Hartford, NY 12838; tel., (518) 632-5237.



Jack Riday can beat many '41 golfers. Says he shot his age seven times. Most of us are, or should be 80, assuming

we were born in 1919. Jack has three married children and six grandchildren. In winter he lives in the state of Washington and spends summers in Michigan. **Royal Treadway** writes: "Our life-care village is more resort and country club than retirement living. I am president of a nine-member council that interacts with a board of directors. I maintain a 15 golf handicap. When does the aging process

“When does the aging process begin?”

— ROYAL TREADWAY '41

their own, sort of a "punctuated" one. Coley was visiting family in the West, but after a few days of gabbing came the change of venue; Norm had been feeling a bit rotten and his MD shipped him off to a hospital. Coley, being handy, could visit Norm in his temporary habitat, which caused the Andersons to have to postpone a golfing trip to Arizona.

Speaking of reunions, a '38 some-such gets occasional mention as to whether an official "mini" might be added to the illustrious history-making string of such held by what's arguably Cornell's greatest class. Do you have any nominations for when and where another might be convened? If so, contact **Harry Martien** and/or **Bill** and **Elsie Harrington Doolittle** who, with their successful experience in such assemblages, could be consultants for any '38er with such an itch.

One of '38's most perceptive sociologist-types offers this admonition: Class off-year mini-reunions: "These cozy off-campus gatherings are *not* like the acne many of us may recall from pre-college days; acne just appears

was in charge of most of the WACs stationed in England. There she worked closely with then Lt. Gen. Jimmy Doolittle, commander of the 8th Air Force. Her many honors included the Bronze Star.

In 1946 she married a fellow officer and left the military service. The couple settled first in Berkeley, but then in Orinda. This became home as the years passed, with familiar places and friends all about.

Some readers may remember that the May/June issue of *Cornell Magazine* highlighted the 120-year-old Hassler Hotel in Rome, Italy, currently owned by **Roberto Wirth '75**. The article brought back happy memories to **Helen O'Brian** Cyran, who still treasures the 1962 Thanksgiving menu from the rooftop restaurant! That memorable feast, complete with turkey and cranberry sauce, topped off with pumpkin pie, made her long, cold stay in Rome seem, for one day at least, almost like home!

♦ **Helen Reichert** Chadwick, 225 N. 2nd St., Lewiston, NY 14092.

begin?" (It has!)

Ed Brady, MD '44, and **Mary (Keane) '37** celebrated their 55th anniversary on June 16, '99. "We are in great shape for the shape we are in." **Jack Weikart**, Chem E '42, circles "permanent address" and writes, "what d'ya mean 'permanent' ? at our age???" **Jim E. Bennett**, JD '48, writes: "Am still 'of counsel' with same law firm. Old lawyers never retire, they just become 'of counsel.' Granddaughter **Kate Bennett '02** is a freshman and a fourth-generation Cornellian. **Ruth (Hillman) '43** and I are blessed with good health." (Jim can you dunk a basketball the way today's players do?)

Dr. **Herbert L. Abrams** was a professor emeritus of radiology at Harvard's medical school. He now lives on campus at Stanford. He spends summers at Martha's Vineyard, where his son lives.

Jack Weintraub flunked retirement again. He is now executive director of the Literacy Council of Sarasota. "We have 200 learners and 150 tutors. They teach English as a second language for immigrants and non-readers. All teaching is done by volunteers."

John Sterling with wife Hil, and Sally and **Dave Ketchum** took a whale-watching cruise around Baja California. In May they host a mini SAE reunion. **Tom Shreve** will attend.

Julian Smith, Chem E '42, started the year off with angina pains. He had a triple bypass, is now doing well. He is working on the sixth edition of his chemical engineering textbook. "Had my 80th birthday and don't feel a day over 79!" He is saddened over the death of good friend **Bill Robinson**, Chem E '42. **Leonard Hooper** lost his wife, Virginia, after 54 years of marriage. He has four children, four grandchildren, and two great-granddaughters.

Bob Heath, BS AE '47, spends four months in Florida and eight months in New Jersey. He looks forward to our 60th Reunion. "As **Sid Slocum** said, in 2001 we'll be over 80 years [young]." **Howard**, MA '42, PhD '49, and **Doris Ogle Dye '40** are enjoying retirement; play lots of bridge and enjoy ballroom dancing. ♦ **Ralph E. Antell**, 7015 Carnation St., Apt. 408, Richmond, VA 23225-5233.

Ithaca's spring flowering passed quickly and now in early June hot temperatures await class reunions. Reflecting the sky, Lake Cayuga never looked more blue.

Ann Wallace McKendry moved into Panorama City, a continuing care community southwest of Seattle on Puget Sound, WA. She writes of spacious grounds, magnificent trees, and cultural events in Olympia, Tacoma, and Seattle. She's found a great assortment of neat people in her community and has family in Seattle.

Dolores Dirlam Daudt (Mrs. William H.) and her husband are unabashed Amtrak fans. They enjoyed relaxed travel, good food, and royal treatment on their December 1998 eastern Amtrak loop from Lansing, MI, through Chicago, Washington, DC, and Wilmington, DE, to Florida, on to New Or-

leans and Memphis, for family celebrations.

Jeanne Avery Gervais sends this correction: her son Jim Pollock, who traveled with her to Costa Rica in 1988, is a graduate of Carnegie-Mellon U, not Cornell. **Ruth Myers** Stauffer and husband Neil P., who moved in May, are delighted with their custom-built retirement home at 1114 Devonshire Way, Palm Beach Gardens, FL. They spend June to October in their condominium in York, PA.

"I'm having a ball and enjoying my second marriage," wrote **Edith Lewis** Allen from Mamaroneck, NY. She and husband Henry returned from Antarctica in April. "A fabulous adventure. Still active in many areas; I am forever a professional volunteer. Love living in Westchester after 48 years on Long Island; much more of a country feeling."

Two more part-time Floridians are **Ruth Pierce Moyer**, MS HE '49, PhD '69, and husband **James '38**, who purchased a winter home in Ellenton, FL, where they play golf and enjoy the beach and local friends. Their home base still is Ames, IA.

Jean Mackie Furgol, whose husband, Theodore, died in 1954, was not able to go to Florida this past winter due to medical problems. She lives a quiet life at her home in Utica, NY.

Gloria Brown Mithers's 1999 News Form note says, "getting used to being a 'merry widow,' though more often not so merry." She's active in her Oceanside, CA, retirement community. She went to an Elderhostel in Japan in April and to France in late August.

Thanks for the return of 1999 News Forms. We have more '41 Women's news than our column allows. Look for more in the November/December issue. Please send news. ♦ **Jane Webb** Acton, 459 Savage Farm Dr., Ithaca, NY 14850-6506; tel., (607) 257-4914; e-mail, 104374.67@compuserve.com.



Gordon Kiddoo, B Chem E '43, (Brevard, NC) e-mails how proud he is of his "Sigma Phi roommate **Frederick 'Duke' Shelley** (Stamford, CT), who has put together a handsome, newly published book, *Early American Clock Towers*, representing more than ten years of research and legwork, literally. Duke climbed and photographed all the towers and clocks shown in his book . . . a lovely book with pictures of all the surviving clocks from 1726 to 1870." The publisher is the National Assn. of Watch and Clock Collectors.

Bob Dame (Kailua, HI) is still using his EE degree working as a consultant on lighting for the tennis clubs where he plays regularly. He volunteers at the Contemporary Museum, Makiki Heights, and with USTA. He also runs marathons and is keeping in shape to run one when he reaches 80. Bob communicates with **Bob Herrmann '41**, Chem E '42, and visits him as well as his own family in Orlando, FL, each year.

Raphael Ting and Teresa (Richmond, CA) posted me from Charleston, SC, on their Southeast US tour. **Dick Hanson** (Corvallis,

OR) is into conservation of coastal river watersheds to enhance trout and salmon reproduction. In Rotary, he and plant pathologist Roy Young are on the Preserve the Planet Earth Committee. Dick received an award of excellence from the US Conservation of Fly Fishing Federation and enjoys birdwatching and cribbage. In his spare time he serves the Presbyterian Church outreach and enjoys 12 grands and two great-grands.

Charles and Doris Strong Castor '41 (Palm Bay, FL) toured most of the US visiting friends, relatives, and national and state parks. They also rented a cottage on Sodus Bay off Lake Ontario. Charles heard from **Charlie Novak**, and works on grounds maintenance at his church.

Arthur Pulleyn, USAF (Ret.), Magnolia, DE, works with the handicapped and enjoys his three grands. **Renee Dick** Gould (Slingerlands, NY) is a volunteer officer with Food Entry and also Cancer Interfaith. Her daughter and son-in-law graduated from Tulane, her granddaughter from UMass, and the younger grand is also at Tulane.

Frank Burgess (Geneva, IL) was awarded the "Melvin Jones Fellowship," the highest Lions Club International honor. He has also served on boards of his local hospital, hospice, park district, and golf club. Due to spinal surgeries he no longer practices his golf skills, but is keeping up with his bridge playing. Frank and Mary Lou have ten grands, one great-grand. Frank points out that **Mort Landsberg '41** is pictured with George Bush in Tom Brokaw's *Greatest Generation*. A wonderful friend, Mort, passed away in the 1950s.

George and Barbara Crohurst Howell (Oak Brook, IL), **Phyllis Stevenson** and **Nancy Uyeno '75**, BS HE '76, (Port Chester, NY), and **John**, MBA '48, and **Alice Sanderson Rivoire '41**, MS HE '48, (Ithaca, NY) enjoyed the Adult University (CAU) Song of Flower tour; and **Lloyd Peelle**, BME '43, (Rock Stream, NY) took in the NYC Theater tour.

Sadly, we report the passing of **Ruth Palmeter Stokoe** (Chevy Chase, MD) after 12 years of Alzheimer's. Our sincere sympathies to **Bill**, PhD '46, who always kept us in touch. And Dr. **Mortimer Welkowitz** (Los Angeles, CA), who had kept up his practice and was a member of the USC faculty. Mort and Shirley traveled to Singapore and celebrated their 50th anniversary last year. He was interested in woodworking, was a football and basketball fan, and is greatly missed by his family and friends.

If you are into e-mail, write to all whose addresses are included. They want to hear from you. I hope you will keep writing me with your news so everyone will find the column interesting. ♦ **Carolyn Evans** Finneran, 2933 76th SE #13D, Mercer Island, WA 98040; tel., (206) 232-3092; e-mail, CeeFinn@juno.com.



Checking out my desk, I uncovered the following pearls: **Mary Alice Dietrich Evans**, PhD '53, Elderhosteled (I'm an English major) in Santa Fe, NM, last sum-

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mer. **Muriel Blum Lipman** and spouse **Bernie**, DVM '43, have made it through 53 years of work and great times. They've been retired 18 years. Two sons produced three grandkids: Carrie, U. of Wisconsin; Sarah, Washington U.; David, in high school.

Beatrice Swick Ornitz and **Martin '42** report on their Big Red connections: children **Richard '67**, **Barbara '71** are well. Granddaughter **Alexandra '94** is a director for North Star Company, which won "best for off-Broadway show" *Medea*.

Shirley Wurtzel Jacobs reports on her brood: son Douglas is a psychiatrist in Boston, Robert is a lawyer in Westport; Gail is married, living in Chappaqua; Patty, also married and—I hope I'm deciphering correctly—living in Rye Brook; Fran lives in New York City. Shirley enjoys ten grandchildren.

Sallie Atlas Hewett, after 50 years living in a house in Scarsdale, moved just five miles away to a co-op in Hartsdale, NY, where she reports, "It's super to have a super who tends to any household imperfections."

And I am proud to announce the birth of Mason, my third grandson, last January, courtesy of my son Tom. Cheers! ♦ **Helene "Hedy" Neutze** Alles, 15 Oak Ridge Dr., Haddonfield, NJ 08033.

We have lost—humanity has lost—one of our finest. **Richard R. Nickerson** died July 10, survived by wife Janice and daughter Nancy. Captain of the wrestling team, recent class president, co-chair of our 55th Reunion, a black belt in intellectual curiosity, organizational wizardry, non-stop ebullience, Dick enjoyed a love and understanding and caring for people that knew no bounds. Cornell was in his blood. You could not enter the Nickerson home in Holyoke, MA, without being led immediately to an imposing vintage cartoon, reverently framed, given him by his father, **Ralph '07**, of a bedraggled Princeton Tiger humbled by victorious Cornell. You would then hear that he would bequeath it to the university. Dick, they could have waited. They could have waited.

Spoke to **Furman South III**, shortly after I'd heard that attention was being paid his favorite beef: Cornell's outdated athletic facilities and the futility of its perennial last-place-in-the-Ivy-League in almost every sport, while Penn and Princeton romp home. Furm said that athletic director **Charlie Moore '51**, BME '52, had researched and completed a 45-page report, and that President Hunter Rawlings had blessed it, and the Board of Trustees was listening. "The Report of the Trustee Task Force on Athletics" states that Cornell is Numero Uno tightwad when it comes to funding student athletics, that as of now the individual colleges have final say on scholarships, and that sports like crew and lightweight football are financed solely by alumni. While stating that Charlie Moore has made progress, for instance, in upgrading the coaching staffs, Furm disclaims any credit for the potential success of the program. You and I, however, are well aware that Furm has strong opinions and no problem with articula-

tion. Well, maybe a little getting in and out of a shell these days.

All of the above brings us to some doggerel by one-time *Sim* sports editor **Al Lurie**, JD '44, who wrote a similar piece following the Dartmouth debacle. (A little sportspeak alliteration there.) He dates his sequel 1994. Says he "works slow, and anyway, Cornell hasn't had a winning streak since then." The poem:

"There is no joy up on The Hill/Since a paint job sprayed the town./After six-in-a-row colorful wins./Big Red was paled by Brown./In week No. 8 they again showed their colors./Again to no avail./When the Red and the White clashed with pallid Blue./The colors hoisted were Yale's./There are many more hues left in the rainbow./If you think we're through, we ain't./But if Carne-lian can't blot out pale pale Blue./I'll throw out my pots of paint."

I guess Al owes apologies to Ernest Thayer ("Casey at the Bat"). I owe apologies to the rest of you.

Both the Alumni Records Department and **Terry Cullen**, MBA '66, coach of Sprint (once 150—now 165-pound) Football, reported no known address for **Dick Bonser**, who in our day was first-string guard. I found him (trusty Internet dowsing rod) in Biddeford, ME. Reported same to **Wally "Ironman" Seeley**, erstwhile first-string center, who called me to say they had a warm and wonderful chat, courtesy Ma Bell. Another 150-pound starter, **Ted Zimmerman**, DVM '43, writes: "I celebrated my 80th birthday in good health. Enjoy hearing about old teammates. Seeley was a great captain and it sounds as if he is still going strong."

One-time Hilton Hotel CEO **Curt Strand** (who as Kurt Stransky had emigrated from Austria), is semi-retired, alternates skiing with "a few consultancies to keep the brain greased." He writes: "On December 7, '41—everybody then alive remembers where he was that day—I was Sunday driving with my international housemate **Shigeo Kondo**. A poignant moment for both of us. Haven't seen him since. Have you his address?" To fill in the gap, Shig's father, rather than face internment, took the family back to Japan. Took two months. On arrival Shig, who didn't speak Japanese, was summarily drafted into that nation's army. He had been pre-med at Cornell and soon became a three-star private working in a hospital. War over, he graduated medical school, and returned Stateside; he already knew the language. Shig writes: "Spent four years at Mt. Sinai studying pathology and Yiddish. I had met **Knox Burger** in Tokyo shortly after the surrender and he wrote a piece about me in *The New Yorker*. I'll send you a copy." His card, Curt, reads: Diplomat American Board of Pathology. Address: Winchester Gardens, 9 Sunningdale Ct., Maplewood, NJ 07040. Shig has served as class treasurer as long as I can remember; but whenever I ask how the class has accumulated solely from annual dues enough to fund, for instance, a perpetual scholarship, he shrugs his shoulders and gives me his inscrutable smile. ♦ **S. Miller**

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Recent reports included a nice note from **Geraldine Dunn Jennings** (Bethesda, MD), who writes, "much as I would like to find a good man after being a widow for eight years, the one you gave me in the December 1997 column does not exist." I don't know how the mysterious Goodman showed up at the end of her name in that column but apologize for the gremlin intrusion and wish Gerry good luck! She must need it; she was kidnapped, roughed-up, and robbed while on a good-will mission to El Salvador, where she found a tiny country with horrendous overpopulation, unemployment, poverty, lack of schooling, and much destruction from the long civil war. After returning with diarrhea, a bad back, and lice, she's about ready to "give up good works." The following August Gerry had a reunion with ten grandchildren which she found almost as strenuous as El Salvador! Next, she went off to London only to arrive on the day Princess Di was killed. She was impressed with the good British manners, despite the standstill traffic, as contrasted with the lack of manners displayed on the DC Beltway where she set off road rage in a female whose bumper she touched, with no damage, but who almost ended up filing charges of robbery and assault! Relaxing from this one, she went camping along the Rio Grande and lost her boat. What next? It's good that Gerry's indomitable.

On the subject of a good man, **Elizabeth Mathison Lind** Welsh found one: a Ponte Vedra, FL, neighbor, retired retinologist, and gourmet cook. They were married in June, so you can now address her as Libby Everett. After returning to Pittsburgh for the summer they honeymooned on a barge in Normandy where Libby gave new hubby Bill some bridge lessons. He's now trying to teach her "fly-catching." We don't know if she meant that literally or whether it's fly-fishing. We eagerly await her next report.

William Doe, BS Ag '49, (Harvard, MA) is enjoying his retirement and recently took the Orient Express to San Francisco, followed by a "good trip" on the clipper around the Bay. **Gilberta (Stevens) and Franklyn Cism Jr.** '49, MS '50, (Harpurville, NY) enjoy their five children, 19 grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Frank is a retired science teacher and Methodist minister. This news arrived via **Ginny Dondero Pfundstein '46**, sister of **Mary Louise Dondero Atwell**, BS HE '44, (Marble, PA), who was Bert's roommate.

Last issue we reported on Adult University (CAU) faithfuls **Isabel (Mayer) '47** and **Bill Berley**, BS Ag '48, (NYC); Bill wrote with great sadness to report that "his beloved Isabel" died on April 23. Both were extremely active in Cornell affairs, particularly at the Johnson Museum of Art and as gracious hosts to '45 gatherings in their art-filled apartment. Our warmest thoughts go to Bill who must be grateful for all the wonderful years with Isabel. Unfortunately, we also received news of other classmates' deaths, mostly reported elsewhere,

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including that of **Charles Kerby**, BS CE '44 (Corpus Christi, TX), on January 12. These depressing items are something we have to live with at our age; at least we are grateful not to see our names listed.

Hubert "Hugh" Gordon, BS Hotel '48 (La Jolla, CA), is "still enjoying every day in Paradise" with activities of the Southwestern Cornell Club and Cornell vet profs giving instructive talks at the San Diego Zoo, where he was told by his grandson to move faster. Although Hugh claims to be jealous of **Maxine Katz** Morse (Laconia, NH) for having too much energy, he does all right in the traveling department, racking up trips to Australia, New Zealand, the Channel Islands of Britain, and Stamford, VT, to see his daughter and her three children, not to speak of Ithaca and Hotel Ezra Cornell, where he, **Mary Wright** (Batavia, NY), **R. Davis "Dave" Cutting** '48 (Ithaca, NY), and **D. Wayne** and **Maralyn Winsor Fleming** (Ithaca, NY) had a mini-reunion.

Although summers in Brownsville, TX, are a bit hot, **Priscilla Wilson** Ashton enjoys three seasons there doing a lot of swimming and enjoying at least one of her five grandchildren who visit regularly. One, Andrew, has a swimming scholarship and hopes to become a high-school coach soon. To beat the heat, Pris and Jim head for their summer home in Virginia, but she says she is having trouble recovering money that her Virginia neighbor stole and so, might sell out. As a new Virginian, I'm shocked to hear such things, although I recently learned that it takes seven Virginians to change a light bulb, one to change the bulb and six to discuss how great the old one was. Probably **Phyllis Avery Olin**, BA '44, (Roanoke, VA) and her retired congressman husband, **Jim** '44, BEE '43, could enlighten us on that. She's busy with her ten grandchildren, including **Marc Olin** '99, traveling to Mexico, Bali, Russia, Galapagos, Tuscany, Peru, Chile, Argentina, and that other exotic land, California. She's busy working on "Child Watch" an early-learning organization which was the subject of a laudatory editorial she sent in. She got a \$5 parking ticket while being interviewed for it, but says it was well worth it. Other than that, she's keeping out of trouble playing the piano and studying Spanish. ♦ **Prentice Cushing Jr.**, 713 Fleet Dr., Virginia Beach, VA 23454; tel., (757) 716-2400; fax, (757) 716-2401; e-mail, CescoVA@aol.com.

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We welcome news from two classmates we haven't heard from in more than four years.

Lewis B. Beatty Jr., BS CE '45, and Peggy, Media, PA, celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary on Sept. 9, '99. (Be careful with that string of nines. They could activate the Y2K bug.) The year 1999 marks the 50th anniversary of Lew's graduation from U. of Pennsylvania's law school. It's also 50 years since he passed the Bar exam and opened his general practice of law. His practice continues to this day in Media, his birthplace. He chairs the board of Crozer Keystone Health System, which operates three acute-care hospitals and several nursing homes. He and

Peggy have four children and six grandchildren. Lew plays tennis (doubles) three nights a week. Peggy rides her horse three days a week.

Frank L. Greene, BA '50, Republic of Panama, left the Hill in early 1944 to earn Army Air Corps pilot wings that August. From Moody Field, Valdosta, GA, "Pancho" was sent to the South Pacific as a twin-engine replacement pilot in late September. He served

with the 42nd Bomb Group and 321st ASC until his B-25 crashed in February 1945. Frank returned to the Hill for fall term 1947, graduating in June 1950 with a BA in geology. He then worked as an exploration geologist in Texas, Canada, Central and South America for 18 years, with one year off for graduate school at the U. of Arizona. In 1968, Frank joined Merrill Lynch International and worked at their Panama office until 1994, when he retired as vice president. His daughter and grandson, Melinda and Nicholas Boyar, reside in Ithaca. (Why not visit your Ithaca family with Dolores before attending "2001, An Ithacan Odyssey"?)

Arthur W. "Bill" Beale Jr., BCE '45, and **Joy (Gulling)** '47, Rochester, NY, rid themselves of rakes, lawnmowers, and snow shovels in June 1998. They sold their home of 39 years and moved into a townhouse, an action they recommend highly. Bill is doing some volunteer work and "enjoying retirement with Joy 100 percent." As emphasis, he signed with a smiley face.

Brendan P. O'Hara, Glen Head, NY, wrote as a proud parent. "My son **Michael** '88 is lucky enough to live in Ithaca. That is, when he is not covering the world as alumni representative for the School of Industrial and Labor Relations. Korea and Japan were two of Michael's recent stops."

We publish class members' e-mail and/or Web addresses. Just e-mail your information to my address below. Be sure to include your name and your current city and state of residence.

SECOND CALL: **Rod Stieff**, BS ME '45 and **Dick Turner**, BS AEM '45, ask your help in raising reunion funds. The big push starts at the end of 1999. Rod says, "It's a good way to contact old friends and urge them to come to reunion." To volunteer, call Rod at (410) 435-0654 or Dick at (716) 665-6357.

See you on the Hill for our 55th—2001, An Ithacan Odyssey! Send news. ♦ **Paul Levine**, 31 Chicory Lane, San Carlos, CA 94070; tel., (650) 592-5273; fax, (650) 593-2572; e-mail, pblevine@juno.com.

Some sad news: her husband and children reported the death of **Marilyn Manger** Avery of Pittsford, NY, on January 10. Charles and **Jeanne Jackson** Fitzpatrick (Ridgefield, WA) lost their only child, **James** '66 on Jan. 31, '98.

They have two great-grandchildren. **Louise Greene** Richards, BS HE '45, PhD '65, (Potomac, MD) reported the death of her long-time companion. Louise is still involved in choral singing, Friends of the Library, and quilting.

Bea O'Brien Contant, BS HE '45, (Waterloo, NY) had a "ladies lunch" at her Cayuga Lake house with Louise, **Carolyn Usher**

"The time comes when comfort comes before a lovely view of the lake."

—JOYCE REED FOLSOM '46

Franklin, BS HE '45, and **Rayma Carter** Wilson in attendance. "Living near Washington, DC, should be exciting, but everything I know I read in the *Washington Post*!"

Some happy news: **Mavis Gillette Sand**, BS HE '45, and **Seaward "Sandy" '45**, PhD '55 (East Aurora, NY) celebrated their 50th anniversary in August 1998. "Three of our six children, **Natalie** '76, **Kevin** '80, and **Bryan** '85, BA '88, and grandson **Raymond Miller** '97 sang the 'Alma Mater.' The children's questions as to where and how we met had us remembering Social Studies A and B which met in Boardman Hall, now the site of Olin Library. We told the story of a semi-blind date and daily letters after the ERC was called. Then there were stories of the veteran's housing project; many good memories." **Henry** '45 and **Leah Smith Drexler**, BS HE '45, (Hubbardsville, NY) have a granddaughter, **Kelly L. MaccDougal** '01, in the Hotel school. **Jackie Dewey** Brett, BS HE '45, and **Cynthia Whitford** Cornwell, BS HE '45, (both Tequesta, FL) deliver Meals on Wheels together every Wednesday.

Jim and **Alice Powell** Greenwood still live in Rye Brook, NY. Moving: **Joyce Reed** Folsom relocated to Glens Falls, NY, on May 1st. (Write me if you want her address.) "It will be hard to leave my beautiful Lake George, but the time comes when *comfort* comes before a lovely view of the lake." ♦ **Elinor Baier** Kennedy, 503 Morris Pl., Reading, PA 19607.

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We're back! We thank **Elaine (Drobner) Schwarz** for rescuing the column and doing a great job on the last issue. We still have very little news from the recent dues mailing. Pay up and send your news unless you want us to make it up. We received a special letter from **Jay Graber**, BA '48, of Kew Gardens telling us about the annual tailgate party he and his wife host in Princeton at the Cornell-Princeton football game or in New Haven at the Cornell-Yale game. They invite family, friends, and customers and provide the food and drinks. After the game everyone feasts in Chinatown. Jay claims four other Cornellians in his family: daughter **Phyllis Graber Jensen** '76; son-in-law **Hilmar Jensen III**, MA '77, PhD '97; son **Norman Graber** '78; and daughter-in-law **Nancy**

Feibus Graber '78. His granddaughter Leann is visiting Cornell this summer and looking it over. Photos he sent show **John and Helen Allmuth Ayer.** BS HE '46, and **George and Ginni Popik** among his recent guests. Jay, your correspondent lives in Rochester but has relatives in Princeton and New Haven and has flown his airplane into both airports. Would

parties at her home. We will miss Isabel and remember her for her curiosity of the world, and her generosity and warmth. We extend the class's sympathies to Bill and his family.

Thanks again to **Arlie Williamson** Anderson for her assistance with the column. Send news. Send your e-mail address and I'll post it here. Check out our class home page at

day of the year. I am a volunteer docent there and at the Duke U. Museum of Art. I like to think that my love of Cornell Plantations helped to prepare me for this new life in the land of Duke. We are the happy grandparents of four girls and two boys. The oldest girl is 19 and attending her first year at Barnard. The youngest, at 2, is a bruiser of a boy. Perhaps I can persuade him to attend Cornell."

Patricia Hayes O'Brien, E. Aurora, NY, e-mail, billo@buffnet.net: "Enjoyed the 50th Reunion last year. Thanks to all the committee people who put such effort into the comfort and fun. A great young man, **John T. 'TJ' Duane '99,** did many 'extra' good deeds for us. He even wrote to us when we arrived home. He was one of the student clerks that the reunion committee engaged. I can't tell you all how much we appreciated everything. We've been going to write to all of you. Husband **Bill** is a consultant for Buffalo X-Ray and New York CRESO in the Buffalo area inspecting x-rays. Son Joseph is in Costa Rica getting his PhD in biology. Last year we visited Grand Canyon, Bryce, and Zion National parks, and visited Las Vegas and then came home to a winter in E. Aurora with the most snow we've seen in several years. Beautiful to see, but inconvenient if you want to go anywhere. We plan to go to Yosemite and other national parks."

Anne Colm Repaske, Star Tannery, VA: "Husband Roy and I are goat farmers! We raise cashmere goats. We sell the fleece to hand spinners and the goats to other breeders. Roy and I play and perform Renaissance and Baroque music on old instruments at Shenandoah Conservatory of Music. I feel I'm running a bed and breakfast with all the city folk coming out to spend a weekend. Last year at this time I was running from a bear! More recently watched deer and wild turkey and came home to find one of our goats had quadruplets. Tomorrow we plan dinner and auction at a local Star Tannery volunteer fire department. One son is a doctor at a medical school, another son is an attorney. A daughter is chief financial officer of a computer information retrieval company she and her husband run. We have five grandchildren. **Barbara Unz** Hart and husband Kenneth came to see us last year. First time we'd gotten together in 50 years. Our most pressing problem is feeding 38 goats when there's a drought and no pasture grass is growing when we have to revert to hay. Have been using my computer in more and more ways. It can do all kinds of things I had not discovered before. Have a life! Enjoy! Help others."

Bob and Marjorie Wright Mueller, Clermont, FL: "We're both retired, wake up with nothing to do, and at the end of the day have done exactly half of it. Our present activities are bridge, swimming, and water exercise. After last year's reunion, we traveled in our motor home out to Washington State, south through Wyoming, Utah, Colorado, Texas, and back to Florida. We visited Sigma Kappa sorority sisters **Frances Wright** Sailor in Laramie, **Elaine Beagle** Watson in Pueblo, and **Meredith Nims** Gubb in Houston. We had a great time at last June's reunion where 13

“Dan Nesbett found turning 70 ‘a happy milestone because from then on, my skiing comes free.’ ”

—JACK & BETTY MENG HOWELL '51

you like in-person coverage of the next event?

Interesting news from **Melba Levine** Silver who recently returned from Havana. She says, "It is now possible to get there through Nassau. The country is almost bankrupt and the tourist trade is one of its main sources of income. The hotels, museums, restaurants, and even the fabulous Tropicana Night Club are all first class. This is in sharp contrast to the incredible poverty. Nothing has been painted in 40 years (the government controls the paint and obviously they don't have much). Buildings are crumbling, peeling, and many are abandoned. People can earn only \$27 per month, if they can find work. It's hard to understand how they survive, but what is their choice? A car buff would be amused by the old automobiles from the '40s and '50s. Some are held together by tape, but others are repainted in wild colors and shined to perfection. Visitors come from all over (except the US); Canadians represent the largest number." Melba took a cruise in January through the Panama Canal with the Ayers and a small group of other Cornellians. She suggests we try to find "missing classmates" through this column. To start us off she asks, "Where is **Elizabeth Woodson** Pearson, who was last seen in Albany?" Thank you, Melba, for the good copy.

Our class, and Cornell University and its alumni community have lost a truly good friend. We report with sorrow the death of **Isabel Mayer Berley** on April 23. Isabel and her husband, **Bill '45,** BS Ag '48, whose children are **Richard '75** and **Jan Berley** Sublett '78, have generously given of themselves to Cornell for decades. Isabel was a long-time member of the University Council and the board of the Johnson Art Museum and its advisory council. She and Bill have donated over 100 pieces of their art collection to the museum, parts of which will be shown during this year. At Reunion 2000, Bill's and Richard's reunion year, there will be a special showing of the Berley works. Isabel and Bill also have been very active with Adult University (CAU). Not only were they among the most involved attendees of programs, but she was on the advisory board since 1982, a committee she chaired for a term, helping to plan the courses and programs. As a member of our class, Isabel hosted '47ers to reunion kick-off

<http://www.alumni.cornell.edu>. Then click on "Alumni Organizations," then "Classes," followed by "Class of 1947." ♦ **Peter D. Schwarz,** 12 Glen Ellyn Way, Rochester, NY 14618; tel., (716) 244-5684; fax, (716) 244-1373; e-mail, PeterDSchwarz@compuserve.com.



Dana J. Keller, PE, Ralston, NE: "My present job is with D.J.K. Financial Inc, engineering and manufacturers' representative. After hours, I'm active in the men's bible study fellowship and many other church activities and belong to the local dance club. I'm a widower since 1994 and need a good wife—someone who doesn't smoke, doesn't drink, and doesn't tell dirty jokes, etc. (Remind you of a favorite song at Cornell, title 'The Girl of My Dreams?') It seems the world's most pressing problem today is getting the many cultures to communicate and understand each other plus overcoming the big economic problems in some of the third world countries. We (the USA) cannot support them all. The meaning of life (as I see it today) is to obtain more spiritual understanding and activity."

Eileen B. Peck, Kensington, CA: "I'm retired and volunteer for the Unitarian Universalist 'Promise the Children.' Took two great cruises last year to see the February full eclipse of the sun in the Caribbean and to see the fall colors through the Erie Canal and Hudson. The NY State canal trip was very interesting and it was nice to be back East. Saw **Jackie Van Hassel** Kort when we stopped in New York City. My e-mail address is ebpeck@compuserve.com."

Joyce Goldstein Kahn, Palm Beach, FL: "Husband James is deceased and I'm retired, playing golf, bridge, doing charity work, and spending time with the grandchildren, traveling in between. Son and daughter-in-law just celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary in June."

Rosalie Smolin Mandel, Durham, NC: "After facing the rigors of a move from our Lakewood, NJ, home of 31 years and the trepidation about relocating, I am discovering North Carolina and loving it. We are ten minutes from Duke U. and, while there is no gorge here, the campus is beautiful. The Duke gardens are truly beautiful and open free every

of the 15 1948 sorority sisters gathered. We started a round robin letter in 1948 and have kept it going since then. It was great to see all. Our youngest son and wife are pregnant for the first time—age 34!" ❖ **Robert W. Persons**, 102 Reid Ave., Port Washington, NY 11050.



Before you read a word of this column, place June 8-11, 2000, on your calendar. We don't want you to miss a minute of the best 50th Reunion ever. Many classmates are moving to new permanent quarters or adding another home for part of the year. **Willard Holman**, Schenectady, NY, has a winter home in Englewood, FL, where his neighbor is **James Colby**. Willard writes, "At this time, I am semi-retired as a life insurance salesman for Northwestern Mutual Life." He has attained life membership in the Million Dollar Round Table. His wife, Ruth, retired from the NYS legislature. They have two daughters and four grandchildren.

Gene Jacobs has a new address in Whispering Pines, NC. He and wife Marguerite moved to North Carolina from Ohio ten years ago and are now at 4 Bogie Dr. in their retirement community. **Inga Brauner** Vatec, BFA '51, is now in Bradenton, FL. She sold her house in Fayetteville, NY, and says, "I moved to where the living is easy." She traveled to northern Wisconsin for a grand family reunion last year where she was with **Sam C.** and **Imogene "Gene" Powers Johnson '52**. Inga's brother **Erik Brauner '58** and his family live nearby in Bradenton. She is planning to be at Reunion next year.

Thor Johnson, Berwyn, PA, is totally retired and has a new house in Boca Grande, FL. He and wife **Blanche (Anderton) '53** divide their time, half the year in each place. Children are in Fairbanks, AK; Boston, MA; and Lexington, KY. They report, "We spend our retirement time with church, charities, golf, and travel. Life is great." **Sue Woodward** Spence (Moreland Hills, OH), and husband Weden often go to their log cabin on Walloon Lake in Michigan. Sue says, "We're having fun with our five grandchildren and enjoy sailing our Tartan 27 on Lake Erie."

It was bound to happen—we've all been traveling enough that we're running into one another. **Ruth Simon Feinberg** and husband **Herbert, JD '50**, of East Norwich, NY, traveled last autumn to France. The Cornell logo on Herb's rain jacket attracted two '50 classmates, Angelo Laparulo of Bel Air, CA, and **Bill Marcussen**, Acadia, CA. Bill's deceased wife, **Barbara (Singleton)**, lived near Ruth during their freshman year in Balch. The Feinbergs' tour began in Paris, channeled to London and back, then on to Lyon, Avignon, and into Provence, ending in Juan Le Pin. In other travel news, **Bertha Scheffel Seifert** and husband **George, PhD '50**, of Ames, IA, enjoyed a London Royal National Theatre Elderhostel in May of 1998. This was followed by a bus tour of Scotland. Last fall they visited with classmate **Sarah Knowles** Kauffman and husband George in East Meadow, NY.

Jane Bird Trafzer and husband **Thomas**

'48 of El Dorado Hills, CA, have traveled to Russia, China, and Australia. Most recently they went to eastern Canada. Jane has finally retired except for occasionally substitute teaching. She is a volunteer for their local library and active in PEO. All four children are successfully married and there are eleven grandchildren: two in college and the youngest just starting grade school. Busy family! Jane and Thomas spend the month of January each year in the Sarasota/Bradenton, FL, area and can be listed as expecting to be at the 50th Reunion.

Somehow mistakenly **Ginny Davenport** Judson, Wethersfield, CT, was reported among the deceased. **Helen Bull** Neuhaus, Upper Montclair, NJ, reports that her demise was greatly exaggerated. Helen met with Ginny and **Helga Andrews** (Sudbury, MA) and they are both still very active. Helen and husband Geoff are now retired. They spent a month last year in Oregon helping their daughter build her house and then added side trips to Colorado to ski. At home Helen takes piano lessons, volunteers as a writing coach in the schools, and helps with two little grandsons. She is amazed to be so busy in retirement.

Marilyn Manley Smith, Sarasota, FL, also says, "The time goes by so fast." In the past year she enjoyed trips to England, Washington, DC, to see art galleries, Williamsburg, VA, and the Mediterranean. She uses her timeshare in Siesta Key, FL, as a family gathering place. In her "spare" time she is active in the Retired Educators Assn., Delta Gamma, Delta Kappa Gamma, and as a Guardian *Ad Litem* for the 12th circuit court. She continues learning through adult education courses in art, literature, and music history classes. **Claire Zwart** de Roos, BS Ag '51, Johnson City, NY, has retired as a landscape designer. She teaches rug hooking at her home and at rug camps at the Chautauqua Inst. and in Cape May, NJ. To find out more about her and rug hooking, see the November/December 1998 issue of *Upstate Living*. Two sons are working in Ithaca: Jan de Roos is assistant professor in hotel administration and Robert de Roos is in computer technology at the Olin Library.

Tom J. Elder, Arlington Heights, IL, is enjoying retirement after 46 years in the civil engineering profession. As a member of the Triangle Fraternity he has been planning a 50th Reunion bash in 2000. Last fall he met with **G. Mike McHugh** and **Cathy Forster** Hogan '00, of Alumni Affairs, in Ithaca. He also met with **Bill Owen '49**, **Ray Rissler**, **Bill Kingston**, **Don Ordway '53**, PhD '56, and **Bob Ayers '52**. Tom says, "It was a nice mini-reunion and perfect Ithaca weather." Great idea, Tom! If any of you gathers classmates for a mini-reunion someplace else, be sure to tell us. Give us a tally on who will be with us at the 50th. In a group where we all remember each other best at age 18-21, or thereabouts, not many are admitting that even the women who weren't in World War II are reaching 70. We are happy to hear about celebrating the big day. **Marilyn "Lynn" Layton Bull**, Beacon, NY, writes, "There was a big

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family reunion in Dallas last July for my 70th birthday. All five children and their spouses attended including all 10 grandchildren. It was 110 degrees but nobody cared. We just had a great time." Then she and husband **Tom Bull '51** went to the Copper Canyon in Mexico for a few days to finish the celebration. Tom is the fire commissioner in Beacon and Lynn is secretary of the ladies auxiliary. They otherwise keep busy with gardening and general activities. "I even manage some cleaning now and then."

I'm taking this opportunity to give you some of my news. Bill and I went on a "big band cruise" last March through the western Caribbean. Our ballroom dancing instructor arranged the trip. With about 50 in the group, we danced to Tommy Dorsey's orchestra and had a dance lesson every day. Lots of fun. This past summer we enjoyed another cruise through the Scandinavian countries. We do love cruising.

I am saddened to report that **Sally Stroup** de Groot died in June. Sally was living in St. Petersburg, FL, and also part of the time in Robbinsville, NC. She was a retired professor of biology at St. Petersburg Junior College. Sally served on the Cornell Council, as a class officer, reunion chair, planned giving chair, and correspondent for our class column. She also served as representative in administration of the Class of '50 Willard Straight Fund. This past January she worked with your class officers to plan our Reunion in 2000. Sally established a scholarship fund in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences for women in biological sciences. Contributions may be sent to the College at 55 Brown Road, Ithaca, NY 14850, attention Peggy Smith.

Keep those wonderful news and dues letters coming. Especially register for Reunion. Looking forward to seeing all of you in June 2000. ❖ **Ruth "Midge" Downey** Kreitz, 3811 Hunt Manor Dr., Fairfax, VA 22033; tel., (703) 860-2991; e-mail, rdk12@cornell.edu.



An article in the Mar. 17, '99 *Ithaca Journal* featured **William "Bill" and Marjory "Ree" Lyons Thayer**. They have set aside 36 acres of their property in Danby to be protected by a conservation easement through the Finger Lakes Land Trust. The land contains mixed woods, forests, and fields that attract bluebirds and wild turkeys. Ree has been involved with the Finger Lakes Land Trust for several years and saw the easement as a way to continue conservation efforts already in place with Sweedler Nature Preserve and Cornell Plantations.

Dan Nesbett e-mailed: "Retired and moved to Ivoryton, CT, from Darien just a year ago. Ivoryton is part of Essex, on the lower Connecticut River, a beautiful, historic, and unhurried part of the world. In March celebrated the big 70 in Vermont with wife of 34 years, Jane, sons **Peter '88** and John, and their respective wives. Skied downhill that day at Mad River Glen (where both boys had learned) in the morning, and at Ole's Cross Country Center in the afternoon, a happy milestone because from then on, my skiing

comes free at both places."

Also by e-mail from **Ed Coene**, BME '52: "We had our third annual "Mini Florida Cornell Golf Reunion" with dinner on Feb. 8, '99, at the Legacy Golf Club in St. Lucie, FL. Great time was had by all. Fourteen Cornellians showed up plus two others to give us four foursomes. Those in attendance: **Ben Amsden '49**, **Bob Atwell '50**, **Marty Horn '50**, **Ed Coene**, **John Dyson**, **Noel "Buzz" De Cordova**, **JD '56**, **Don A. Mc Namara**, **Dick Cliggott '53**, **Warren G.** "Gerry" **Grady '53**, **BME '54**, **Bill Lewis '53**, **Bill Whelan '53**, **J. C.** "Jack" **McCormick '57**, and **Jim Carville '55**. BEE '56. We're looking for more players in 2000. Write or call Ed Coene, 3 Elm Lane, Rumson, NJ 07760, phone (732) 741 3909 or at the office at 1-800-524-0337, or e-mail. edcoene@group.com for dates and information."

Sheila "Shelly" Epstein Akabas e-mailed: "I have just been lucky enough to receive the Distinguished Investigator Award from NARSAD (National Alliance for Research on Schizophrenia and Depression). We (the staff of the Workplace Center at Columbia that I head) have been working very hard on studying the conditions under which people with serious, persistent mental illness are employed and retained at work. The grant will allow a more scientific examination of the subject on the way to preparing a study proposal for the National Inst. of Mental Health. Hard to think about retirement when there are such interesting issues to examine."

Paul Baren lives in Cornwall Bridge, CT, where he continues in a family business supplying high-end hardware to the rich and famous around the U. S. and overseas. He is moderator of a local Congregational Church and on the board of local Habitat for Humanity. Paul chaired a large fundraiser for Habitat in Kent, CT. He traveled to Turkey in September 1998. **Richard Glavin**, MD, has been retired for one year in New Preston, CT. He is a board member of the Northwest Connecticut AIDS Project, NW Area Health Education Center Consortium. He is a committee chair for Mad (or Mod?) Gardeners. He traveled to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico. **Jim Harnden** is retired in West Bloomfield, MI. He volunteers at Adult Learning Inst. (affiliate of Elderhostel). In January 1999 he traveled to Peru and the Galapagos Islands. **Patience Wilson** Cameron, Cleveland Heights, OH, reported that volunteer activities include church and hiking groups. The third edition of her book, *Cleveland on Foot*, was published by Gray and Co.

In April 1999 an Adult University (CAU) cruise to study nature and civilization in the Ancient Mediterranean was attended by **Mabel "Mibs" Martin** and **Don Follett '52**, BME '53, **Mary Osborn** Gallwey, PhD '58, **George Hano**, MBA '52, **Paul A. Jones**, **Charlie Moore**, BME '52, and **Judith**, and **Jim and Pat Gunderson Stocker '53**. In March, **Chuck** and **Carol Winter Mund '52** attended a CAU session on the past, present, and future of the British monarchy at Naples Beach Hotel and Golf Course. **Herbert Hern**, BS ILR '58, is retired in Niceville, FL,

where he is president of his property owners association. He took a cruise through the Greek Isles and to Israel and Istanbul. **Jim Hillas**, Long Valley, NJ, has retired from law and three terms as municipal court judge. He traveled to South Africa, Portland, OR, and Seattle, WA. He also toured the Civil War battlefields in Virginia and found them to be awe inspiring and tragic. **Howard Hyde**, Clarks Summit, PA, celebrated his 80th birthday. He says he is both working and retired. He volunteers at Rotary Club, Habitat for Humanity, choral singing (oratorio), and church activities. He also enjoys gardening and woodworking.

L. William "Bill" Kay, Drexel Hill, PA, says, "I have no intention of retiring. I love my work too much." Last winter he skied the Canadian Rockies in January, Colorado in February, and France in March. At least it isn't all work and no play. Bill also has volunteer activities at Delaware County Community College, also Brandywine Hospital board of trustees, and at Planned Parenthood.

Keep in touch. ♣ **Jack and Betty Meng Howell**, 289 Ashford Ave., Tonawanda, NY 14150-8563; e-mail, jack-howell@msn.com.



Homecoming will be November 6. Bring warm clothes (in case) and plan to enjoy the '52 festivities we've come to depend upon, arranged by **Paul Blanchard**, BCE '53, (203) 323-2060.

We continue with more news of classmates not recently reported. **Lewis "Lew" Daugherty** has retired from the agriculture and resources economics department of the U. of Arizona and lives in Tucson, where he serves as flight captain of Daedalian "Old Pueblo" Flight. **Thomas Duff**, BEE '53, MS '54, in Lexington, MA, mentions hobbies of flying and aircraft restoration, while **Joan Schoof Hoffman** and husband **Paul, DVM '53**, enjoy sea kayaking and took a memorable trip to Kenya which included a hot air balloon ride. Another kayaker is **William "Bill" Hegenberger**, who retired in 1991 as professor of applied science and engineering at the US Coast Guard Academy in New London, CT. He spends most of the year in Connecticut, but goes to Jupiter, FL, for the winter and has enjoyed many trips to Europe.

Lawrence Korn of Wilsonville, OR, whose hobbies are gardening and photography, listed his best trip as one to the wildflower-covered mountains of Central Asia. Another gardener and photographer is **John Newhard** of Decatur, GA, who volunteers with professional societies. **Phyllis DuFlocq** Bechle of Bradenton, FL, visits children and grandchildren along the Southeast Coast and volunteers with her church. **Juanita Miller** Johnson, also a church volunteer, has traveled to Paris and London, and enjoys piano, boating, and a grandchild. **William Lyon** celebrated his September 1998 50th wedding anniversary in Hawaii, setting a good example for those of us not so far from that occasion. William sings with the Greater Zanesville,

OH, Singers and enjoys model railroading and photography.

Harold Oaklander traveled to Taiwan last year and volunteers with the Alliance For Prevention of Unemployment. **Graham Jamison** of Pine Bush, NY, has retired from dairy farming and politics. He was town supervisor for 30 years. **Martin Cohen** is still involved in local politics in Belmont, MA, and volunteers with the New England Historic Seaport and the Charles River Museum of Industry. His best trip was to Bergen, the North Cape, and Oslo, Norway. **Constance Honig** Bades continues to enjoy retirement, dividing time between Rockville Center, NY, and the Berkshires, with a winter break in Los Angeles. **Willard Keefe** travels in the US and Canada, visiting friends and family and enjoying bridge and reading at home in Farmington Hills, MI. **Nigel Wright** audits courses at SUNY Albany.

George and Evelyn Kunes Sutton are both still working, Evelyn as a travel agent and George as an engineer. They still find time for tennis, theater, and travel, listing a trip to India and Egypt as best for culture and antiquities. George is active in the National Academy of Engineering and organizes an AIAA conference every year. The Suttons would like to see other Cornellians who come to the Arlington, VA, area. Also unretired is Dr. **Marshall Lindheimer**, who is a professor of medicine, obstetrics, gynecology, and clinical pharmacology at the U. of Chicago. He has received an award from the Fraqui Foundation in Belgium, and will be a visiting professor in Leuven, Belgium, where he and wife Jacqueline are spending this July-December.

Robert Jeffreys, MBA '57, says that Cleveland, OH, is a great place to live, except for winter. He and wife Patricia enjoy the orchestra and playhouse, and Robert volunteers as treasurer and trustee of a community based non-profit organization working to maintain the housing stock of Cleveland. He also enjoys tennis and golf. **John Crager** escapes the winter in Upper Jay, NY, by relocating to Bisbee, AZ, where he enjoys swimming and walking, and volunteers with his church. **Betty Mac-Millan** Erickson leaves Jamestown, NY, for Palm Harbor, FL, in winter. She enjoys swimming, reading, and needlepoint; a trip to visit friends in Germany was her best. **June Williamson** Turgeon is in Lauderdale-by-the-Sea for most of the year now, but returns to Buffalo, NY, to co-ordinate two Roycroft Elderhostels in East Aurora, NY. She recommends a trip to the Frank Lloyd Wright Historical Site at Fallingwater, PA. **Donald Henn**, BCE '53, reports vacations with **Robert '53** and **Gloria Maloney**, and mini-reunions at Princeton or Penn games with **Robert E. Vogel** and Betty, **Robert S. Appleby '54** and Joan, and **Robert W. Bower '54** and Lynn. At the February wedding of the Maloneys' daughter, the Hennis enjoyed big band music with **Robert D. Anderson**, BCE '53, and wife Lois, and **Alice Maloney '56**.

We are sorry to report the death of **Wilma "Billie" Robbins** Starke on May 15. Memorial contributions may be sent to the Starke Scholarship Fund, care of Mr. **Harry Keller '56**, School of Hotel Administration,

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Please fill out your news questionnaires this fall. If you've sent news that hasn't yet appeared, it will soon, so this will be your opportunity to update it. You can now send us e-mail. ❖ **Bob and Jeanne Irish Lewis**, 34 Hickory Ridge Rd., Rochester, NY 14625; tel., (716) 381-6370; e-mail, lewroch@aol.com.



Some people enjoy reunions so much that they return every year, or almost. So a number of classmates showed up with the Continuous Reunion Club (CRC) contingent in Ithaca this past June—including **Louis Pradt**, BME '54, **Bill L. Sullivan**, **Edgar '51** and **Guion "Tex" Trau Taylor**, **Bill Bellamy**, MBA '58, JD '59, **Bob '52**, M Ed '55, and **Judy Resnik Chabon**, Warren "Gerry" **Grady**, BME '54, **Bob and Louise Schaefer Dailey '54**, **Jim Blackwood**, B Chem E '54, and **Glen Woolfenden**. Others were at weddings. Besides seeing to the '93rd CRC convocation, your correspondent had business the same weekend far above the Connecticut River, where Massachusetts meets Vermont and New Hampshire. There was a 50th reunion of the Northfield and Mount Hermon classes of '49 and y.c. in a weak moment five years ago agreed to shepherd that reunion too. So there was some commuting: five hours each way. The auto trip provided the opportunity to think on times when y.c. and the late and lamented **Nancy Webb** Truscott, MBA '85, used to talk NMH '49 matters when in Ithaca for parties and banquets and such, and CU '53 business when back at our old secondary school for money-grubbing purposes (in a worthy cause). Both schools stand high above water and encourage diversity, both answer to Big Red, both formerly had an amazing number of cattle on campus and quite a few 'Niners found their way to Ithaca back then. Some turned up in Northfield this June: retired cat and cow doctor **Jim Hudson**, DVM '60, **Craig Falk**, B Chem E '54, **Carroll McConnell** Manning, BS HE '55, and **Patricia Johannsen** Edlund, BS Ag '80. **Lois Paige** Besanko had to cancel to be with her son and daughter-in-law, who was undergoing serious surgery.

Ellen Bromfield Geld will be back from Brazil to visit her US roots at Malabar Farm in Ohio the last weekend of September to sign copies of a new edition of her book about her father, the late novelist **Louis Bromfield '18**. The farm, Ellen's childhood home, is now a state park. About 40,000 people are expected there for Heritage Day festivities that weekend. **Don Dickason**, M Ed '68, (Princeton, NJ) is "happy to report I weigh exactly my Cornell wrestling weight." (That would be something under 177). He says that since retirement he's been mainly concerned with keeping up with the grandchildren. "You will be a grandparent if you are a good parent and get promoted," he claims. He's also been pursuing genealogy, and that calls for extensive foreign travel—to Scotland, Northern Ireland, and Germany, in search of original sources.

Richard Shaffer, BME '54, (NYC) en-

closed a Boston Marathon card—you know, like a bubble gum baseball card—of himself with a news and dues return. It notes that he first ran the New York Marathon in 1981 and has done Madrid and Paris, too, with a personal best time of 3:10.28. Both card and news and dues form describe him as a computer consultant. The card says his hobbies are tennis and photography, and skiing is one of his favorite activities. It says he began distance running in 1980, at 10 kilometers. Richard says he'll stay at it. **Les Seglin** (Grand Forks, ND), who has described himself as "retired but busy," has, since leaving the federal government, been active with volunteer work for the local first grade and the North Dakota Museum of Art, not to mention the Foster Grandparents council, and has been president of the local chapter of the National Assn. of Retired Federal Employees. There are daughters and grandchildren. And the Grand Forks' Great Flood of 1997 kept him pretty busy surviving, he says.

President Hunter R. Rawlings III and Prof. Joel Silbey drew a crowd of classmates to the Boar's Head Inn at Charlottesville, VA, with Adult University (CAU), for a look at Greece, Rome, and America. **Bob and Helen Harrison Appel '55**; **Fred Buhrendorf**, BME '54, and Joan; and **Ernie**, PhD '69, and **Jane Little Hardy** were attentive students. The Hardys traveled the next week to Assateague Island, VA, to catch up with migrating birds. Frank H. T. Rhodes attracted a crew for an ancient Mediterranean cruise: the Appels, Bill and Nancy Bellamy, **Alan** and Elizabeth **Harris**, **Bob**, BME '54, and Dorothy **Rutishauser**, **Dick '52** and **Gayle Hodge Smith**, **Jim '51** and **Pat Gunderson Stocker**, and **John and Carolyn Anderson Twiname '54**. **Jim** and **Judy Logsdon** went to Naples, FL, to mull ending the British monarchy and, in Annapolis, considered the emergence of the US as a world power, along with

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On Sunday, May 16, classmates in the metropolitan New York area enjoyed a spectacular outing at the Pound Ridge estate of **Sherry (Vogel)**, BS HE '54, and **Joel Mallin**, BS Eng '56. The Mallins have an impressive collection of art and sculpture arranged in the house and pool house and throughout the many acres of grounds. In fact, Sherry explained, "We spend as much time deciding where to place the different pieces as we do choosing them in the first place." Thank you to Sherry and Joel for their wonderful hospitality, for leading a fascinating tour, and particularly for conveying to us their deep feelings about the art with which they share their lives. Classmates in attendance were: **Lee Balter**, **Alice (Heft)** and **Klaus Brinkmann '53**, **Judith (Silverman)** and Alan Duke, **Errett Dunlap**, BME '56, and Sue, **Peter**, MRP '57, and **Pauline Mickie Symonds Eschweiler '53**, **Naomi Freistadt**, **Barbara (Burg)** and **Michael Gilman**, DVM '56, **Lynn F. Goldfine**, **Marlene (Medjuck)** and Gerald Green, **Phil Harvey**, **Geraldine (Sobel)** and Steve Katz, **Barbara (O'Connor)** and Walt Kenny, **Elinor Rohrlich** Koeppel, **Richard** and Claire **McKillip**, **Nancy Savage Morris**, **Barbara (Loreto)** and **Lee Peltz '54**, **David**, MBA '57, and **Flora Weinstein Perskie '57**, **Charlotte (Bialo)** and Pierre Picot, **Eva Konig** Ray, **Marcus** and June **Reidenberg**, **Dick Schaap** and Trish, **Jane Hoffberg** Schindler, **Suzanne Adlerstein** Schnog, BA '54, **Michael Sena** and Ilona, **Joan (Steiner)** and **Lew Stone '54**, and **Eleanor (Rutstein)** and Gil Sussman.

Several classmates also met in Ithaca for Reunion 1999 weekend to take notes on the Class of 1954's activities and to start planning

“Cleveland, OH, is a great place to live—except for winter.”

— ROBERT JEFFREYS '52

Richard '52 and **Goldy Meresman Rosen '54**, JD '56, and **Joyce Wisbaum** Underberg, BS HE '52. **David** and Sonia **Berke** sailed to the Galapagos Islands; **Bill Gratz**, BME '54, contemplated elections and the road to Y2K at Mohonk, NY; and Tom and **Carol Wright** Murphy studied tropical botany, coral reefs, and cultural history in Tortola and other British Virgin Islands. There is no report of anyone failing to ace any prelims.

Pleasant company is expected for Homecoming weekend, November 5-6, again this year. There will be dining out with contemporary '50s classes, the presentation of the Frank H. T. Rhodes Exemplary Alumni Award to **John** and **Lea Paxton Nixon**, and, well, yes, football. Yale. Our lads have won 12 of the last 13 Homecoming games and are seven and two vs. Old Eli in recent years. ❖ **Jim**

for our own fantastic 45th in June of 2000. Reunion Co-chair **Fred Antil** and wife Ann invited the group to brunch at their house, where he and Co-chair **Anne Morrissy** Merick, still sharp-minded after downing a few Bloody Marys and mimosas, shared ideas and sought suggestions on events, caterers, bands, and sites for the weekend. And speaking of the aforementioned Dick Schaap, our own class celebrity (host of "The Sports Reporters" on ESPN, author of 32 books, and winner of six Emmy awards), the good news is that Dick has already signed on to speak at Reunion '00. Many of us will converge on Ithaca again for Homecoming weekend, November 5-7, '99. Come join us! **Mike Mage** (Bethesda, MD) will be there to take part in the chimes reunion that weekend. Mike's still working at NIH and commuting to work by bike.

News from out there: **Jim Welch** (Colchester, VT) has retired as professor of animal science at the U. of Vermont, and is currently farming with 50 head of registered Scotch Highland cattle. **Paul Bowell** (Dayton, OH) retired from NCR in 1994. **Bill Boyle**, MBA '56, has sold his home in England and now resides permanently in Ohio, part-time in the city and part-time on a farm. **Don Demske** (Newburgh, NY) claims he grows the best tomatoes and catches the biggest fish, but also puts in his time "baby-sitting for the future hostile linebaker for the Big Red, Class of '19." **Bill Lockwood**, BME '57, (Oyster Bay, NY) is still working at Northrup Grumman, and **Art Kananack**, JD '52, is "still working in the movie business and enjoying it," while wife Pamela is "floral designer to the rich and famous." **Roger Rothballer**, MBA '59, who volunteers as a computer instructor and serves on the New Canaan, CT, Planning and Zoning Commission, reports that he saw **Norm Nedde** and **Clarence "Clancy" Fauntleroy '54** recently. Norm is retired but working as a substitute teacher. His bowling average of 187 is "the highest of my life. I guess you get better with age!" Norm's already planning on Reunion '00. **Peter Bowell** (Potomac, MD) ran into another **Norm**, surname **Rowe**, while vacationing in Bonita Springs, FL. Norm R. was walking a friend's twin dogs. "We had a great time reliving the good old days," recalls Pete. **Natalie Whittle** Newcomer, BS Nurs '56, and husband Chuck are retired and visiting children in Georgia and North Carolina. **Anthony Cardone**, BCE '56, and wife Jo Ann (Evergreen, CO) spent last fall touring the Italian wine country after three weeks in Belgium. Anthony retired from construction and turned the company over to his son, and opened his fifth gourmet restaurant in Colorado.

Carol Rittershausen Byron is "happily enjoying retirement in the great city of Seattle," and looking forward to Reunion. **Art Cooley**, MS '56, (Patchogue, NY) had a reunion last summer with his five cousins and their spouses, rafting the Colorado River. Four of the cousins (including Art) are also Cornellians: **Marion Steinmann** Joiner '50, **Ray Coller** '53, and **Ellie Steinmann** Schrader '57. **Leda Leveille** Fide (Asheville, NC) writes, "We're RV-ing full-time, visiting family and friends as we travel along." **Pat Hewson** Mason says she's retired, but is also food editor of the local (York County, ME) newspaper, president of the Ogunquit, ME, Women's Club, and is working on two committees: one to benefit the performing arts and the other to restore an historic 1750's house. No wonder Pat says, "Retirement seems busier than working!" **Dick Kurtz**, BS Ag '58, is involved with commercial real estate, church choir, travel, and Habitat for Humanity, but is looking for "more old cars and time to play with them." **Roberta G. Rubin**, MD, has retired from the active practice of medicine (pathology) and is presently the president of the National Council on Women's Health and vice-chair of the Foundation of the American Medical Women's Assn. **Emily Larkin**

Jakes and Jerry '53 live in Toledo, OH, where Enmy works as a library/media specialist at a Toledo public high school. She's "still loving the challenge, so no plans for retirement."

Ann Busch Githler has just made her third trip to Italy to play early music with a group of performers from Boston, Ars, and Amici. **Jo (Haab)** and **Jim Schoff** are in Vermont six months of the year and in Rye, NY, for the rest. Making a big lifestyle change, Class Council member **Jan Kahn** Marcus retired from the Legal Aid Society as public defender in the Bronx, and moved to "a glorious seaside town, Newburyport, MA," where she's "having the time of my life, loafing, creating gourmet meals, and popping into NYC for an occasional opera, theater, or concert." You go, girl! ♦ **Nancy Savage** Morris, 94 Southfield Ave., #601, Stamford, CT 06902; e-mail, nsm99@aol.com.



Gail and I recently returned from a great trip to Greece and Turkey run by Adult University (CAU). Having never been on a CAU trip before, it came as no surprise that what everyone had been telling me was true: It was super.

We had 150 people on the *Song of Flower* cruise and quite a few '56ers. Joining us on the trip were **Priscilla "Percy" Edwards** Browning, **Phyllis R. Bosworth**, **Bill** and **Madeline Abramson**, **Curt** and **Pamela Reis**, **Laura "Lolly" (Tremman)** and **John Almquist '54**, and **Judy (Cohen)** and **George Lowry**. In addition, joining us one evening for dinner were our honorary classmates, **Janet** and **Alain Seznec** and **Frank** and **Rosa Rhodes**. The friendships both old and new were amazing and I still think about it a lot.

It was nice hearing from our old and dear friend **Jerry Tarr**, who only ventures out of Rutland once or twice a year to go to Italy. I spoke to him just after he returned from his most recent sojourn and he said he had a great time. He and wife **Nonny** still run and own Rutland House Furniture in Vermont. If anyone spots Jerry, please let us know how he looks.

Lewis Klotz of 441 Churchill Rd., Teaneck, NJ, writes that he saw all the **Reis** family in Manhattan while he was wheeling his granddaughter. **Lewis** and **Brenda** have three grandchildren and are looking forward to our Reunion.

I have asked our beloved President **Ernie Stern** to say a few words pertaining to class matters.

"I'd like to thank **Steve Kittenplan** for giving up some column space so that I can update you on goings-on in the Class.

"The serious planning has already begun for our 45th Reunion. Our Reunion Chairs, **Percy Browning** and **Harry Keller**, BS Hotel '77, both Ithaca residents, have been working closely with Cornell staff to assure our creature comforts and fun from June 8-11, '01. Lots of work goes into the making of a great reunion and the enthusiasm and energy of our reunion chairs in tackling those tasks has been inspiring. In addition to all the logistics, the event planning is another major task.

"Our objective is to make sure that our 45th will be an exciting and fascinating time for all of our classmates. Reunions are not just beer tents and parties. They are rich in events that stimulate the mind, that allow time to renew friendships, that offer activities for the sports-oriented and the music enthusiast. We will be making this reunion a memorable and inclusive time. Of course, we want you to come.

"At a pre-reunion event in New York City last December, about 50 '56ers met for a great dinner and good talk. We're planning more such events around the country in 2000. Would you like to participate or to volunteer to organize an event—a picnic, a lunch, a dinner, a party—in your neck of the woods? Please contact **Percy** at (607) 257-1240. Of course, if you'd like to help with the reunion planning itself, or if you have ideas for the reunion, please let us know.

"I hope the message is clear. We're planning a wonderful weekend in June 2001 to celebrate our 45th Reunion. We very much want you to be there. Warm regards," **Ernie Stern**.

Please keep sending news. ♦ **Stephen Kittenplan**, 1165 Park Ave., NYC 10128; e-mail, catplan@aol.com.



One of the more enjoyable programs offered to alumni is Adult University (CAU), and a number of classmates participate each year in the summer programs at the university, as well as in those held off campus. **Guy** and **Sue Hitz** Magnuson were in New York City in April for the spring theater weekend led by Professor **Glenn Altschuler, PhD '76**. On board the *Song of Flower* in early May were **Ruth** and **Jim Keene**, BEE '58, **Bob Cowie '55**, MBA '57, and **Vanne Shelley**, and **Ron**, MBA '57, and **Helen Kuver Kramer**. This cruise and study tour about the ancient Mediterranean, was headed by former President **Frank Rhodes** and Professor **David Owen**. **Kenneth '59** and **Eva Stern Steadman** were in Germany in May on a study tour of the treasures of culture. They visited Berlin, Potsdam, Leipzig, and Dresden. A CAU weekend in Annapolis, MD, attracted **Harvey** and **Rita Feldman** Cohen, who heard speakers on the lessons and dilemmas of America's rise to world preeminence.

Maurice "Bus" '54 and **Carmen Lovre Ryan**, Marietta, GA, are enjoying retirement after Bus's 35 years with Marriott. Their three children and four grandchildren are in Atlanta and the Ryans spend summers at Lake Toxaway in North Carolina, and winters in Marco Island, FL. **Sherman** and **Ellen Derow** Salovitz welcomed the arrival of their first grandchild last November. Ellen still works full-time managing the office of the board of appeals for the Town of Wellesley, MA. Travels in the past year have taken them to Switzerland, Spain, and Morocco. Another first-time grandmother is **Jan Nelson** Cole whose son and daughter-in-law presented Jan with a grandson last June. And **Bob '56** and **Marilyn "Mimi" Hester Ridgley** welcomed a new granddaughter last year. The Ridgleys, who now make their home in Santa Fe, recently

celebrated their 42nd anniversary. ♦ **Judith Reusswig**, 5401 Westbard Ave., #813, Bethesda, MD 20816; e-mail, JCRauss@aol.com.

A number of classmates have given of themselves to attend to activities at the university, none more than **Tony Cashen**, MBA '58, who chairs the Fraternity and Sorority Advisory Council. He may kill me for saying this, but he just brought me up to date on a lot of activities in Ithaca and beyond, and I'm certain would enjoy the same opportunity with anyone else (800) 238-7909. **Bob Watts** and Linda, along with Bob's 91-year-old father, visited their daughter in Belgium recently to celebrate the birthdays (all the same day) of Bob, his father, and his granddaughter, a feat that Bob calls a "remarkable coincidence of nature." He is also organizing a "Millennium Dinner" next January 28, in conjunction with the Assn. of Class Officers (CACO) meeting, at the Cornell Club of New York. I'm certain details will follow on a timely basis.

The current edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* includes the name of **Fred Groiss**, BA '58, JD '61. This is an especially coveted honor, as it involves a unique peer-review procedure to compile the list. Fred was recognized for his labor and employment practice in the Milwaukee office of Quarles & Brady. Of 330 lawyers in the firm, Quarles & Brady landed 49 in this prestigious publication. Keeping within the legal sphere, **Edward Reich** has been elected to the New York Bar Assn.'s 23-member executive committee, which oversees the management and administration of the state bar within policies determined by the NYSBA's House of Delegates. Since graduating from Brooklyn Law School in 1960, Ed has been active in the community (director of the Brooklyn Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, Jewish National Fund, and the Jewish Lawyers Guild), in addition to a number of other endeavors. He is past president of the Brooklyn Bar Assn. and chairman of its judicial screening committee. The interesting aspect of this is that Ed is a member of the NYSBA's House of Delegates, and thus is involved in overseeing practices which he helped create. Sounds like we need a lawyer to straighten this out.

Ara Daglian has straightened me out on his status. He is the former chief of some quasi-nonexistent fire department, and not the former chief assistant to the assistant chief, as previously reported in these columns. He squired a wine trip to Germany, Alsace, and Champagne last fall, one to Athens last spring which included a cruise with the Cornell Hotel Society, and an Alaskan cruise in the summer. This fall's effort involves floating on the rivers of France. He claims that all these ventures have been financed by income.

Gilbert Weisbord, BME '58, has been retired since 1992 from CEO of Software Engineering Associates of Torrence, CA, enjoying the leisure life with his grandchildren.

I had the pleasure again of visiting **Rod Beckwith**, BME '59, and Liz in their wonderful retirement home outside Charlottesville, and caught up with Carol **Loysen** at the

landscape business that she and **Dave** operate in Stowe. Dave was having lunch at a deli as invisible as Ara's fire department, but Carol assured me he was in great shape, and judging by the activity, so is their business. ♦ **John Seiler**, 221 St. Matthews Ave., Louisville, KY 40207; tel., (502) 895-1477; e-mail, Suitcase2@aol.com.



We have just returned home from a wonderful Adult University (CAU) trip to Istanbul and the western coast of Turkey. It was absolutely fabulous, from the accommodations, to the people, to the intellectual Cornell professors on board, to the ancient, ancient history of the area. There were three other class correspondents on this trip, so I wouldn't want you to OD on information, but needless to say, if you are looking for a wonderful experience, try one of the CAU trips! Our trip focused on nature and civilization in the ancient Mediterranean, and we were accompanied by David Owen, Frank Rhodes, and Yervant Terzian. **Chuck Jarvie**, MBA '59, my husband, affectionately termed the trip "Stones and Bones." Other CAU travelers were **Lowell Sanders** and his wife on Birding in the Lower Rio Grande Valley, and **Karen Shannon Tafuri** and husband **Bill '59** on the Spring Theater weekend in New York.

Don Barber, BS ILR '59, another Dallasite, writes that he retired in 1996; he and wife Gretchen enjoy traveling, golf, local charity work, etc. He says he loves Dallas and intends to stay there. **Dale Reis** Johnson moved in May 1998 to a new "old" house requiring much remodeling. She said it would take about a year, so hopefully they are settled by now. They were fortunate to be able to live in an apartment over the garage, so were there to oversee but not living in the mess. Their new address is 5383 Rolling Ridge Rd., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275. No grandchildren yet, she says, but she hasn't given up! **Jeanne Burns** Dorie Marvin is retired and in her fifth year as president of Cape Cod Cornellians. She also is very active in the International Honor Society of Nursing, so says she's keeping busy. Even so, she has time to enjoy

the piano and reading and, at the time she wrote, Weight Watchers!

Stephen Bender writes that graduation 1999 will mark the tenth anniversary of a scholarship he donated in honor of his father **Meyer Bender '29**. It is given to a graduate student in geology by himself or his children. He is proud of three generations at Cornell. What a wonderful thing to do! **John Herrmann**, BME '59, writes of daughter **Gina '90**, PhD '98, who completed her doctorate in Spanish literature. John took a wilderness fishing trip last year to Labrador with **Martin Hammar**, BME '59, and Martin caught the "Big Kahona" a 7-1/2-pound brook trout. This year they were planning to take a fly-fishing float trip down the Salmon River in Alaska.

Ann Gaffey Coyne is developing distance education for the School of Social Work in Nebraska. She has been taking students to Nicaragua to visit hospitals, orphanages, etc., each year. She has also been finding adoptive families in the U.S. for Nicaraguan children, 12 so far. For pleasure, she went to Ireland with husband **Dermot**, PhD '58, to visit family in 1997. **Judith Bondy** Marbach is editor of the quarterly newsletter for the New York Chapter of Hadassah. She enjoys reading, gardening, and power walking in Central Park. She attended a gallery show of **Elsie Dinsmore** Popkin and saw **Maddie Isaacs** and other classmates.

John Tallman, BME '59, is retired and says that's the best job he ever had! He and his wife spent 21 days traveling through Europe last summer, and he says he can't wait to go back! He enjoys golf, woodworking, reading, and boating. They split their time between Auburn, NY, and Cape Coral, FL.

Alan Goldman says Reunion was so great he'd like our next one to be accelerated so we don't have to wait another four years! He has been focusing on merger and acquisition advisory work and plays a lot of tennis and platform tennis, having won the New Jersey state title with a friend last year for 60+ in platform tennis. Congratulations! Hope you all had a wonderful summer! ♦ **Janet Arps Jarvie**, 6524 Valley Brook, Dallas, TX 75240; fax, (972) 387-0160; e-mail, Jjarvie386@aol.com.

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Alan L. Fishman, BArch '61, reports that he has been "enconced in Pittsburgh for almost ten years," where he is a principal and vice-president at IKM Inc., an architectural firm that specializes in health care and higher education; his wife, Libby, is a senior counsel at PNC Bank Corp. They are known to their friends, he says, as Alan Architect and Libby Lawyer. The Fishmans have adult children **Beth '89**, an environmental policy specialist with Communities for a Better Environment in San Francisco, and Charles, a graduate of the U. of Colorado, who now produces a radio show in Denver that focuses on business issues.

Raoul Sudre says that things have been going very well for his company, which designs and manages spas all over the world. They have recently opened new health and wellness centers in North Africa, the Middle East, Europe, and the Americas. Raoul and wife Francoise live in Pompano Beach, FL, but he travels an enormous amount of the time. "Even though it gets to be tiring at times," he says, "I must confess, I love it. I am off and running with a new mission in life." Daughter **Samantha '97** also travels a lot, evaluating hotels throughout the United States and Canada. "It must be in the genes," says Raoul.

In New York City, **Stephen Field** has recently completed his fifth year running his own law firm, where he focuses primarily on corporate, tax, and estate planning. His daughter, Claudia, works part-time as a paralegal for him and also commutes to Los Angeles, where she is pursuing a career in the entertainment business. Son Scott has finished the sixth grade at the Browning School. Stephen sees **Ted Donson**, **Walter Williamson**, **Bruce A. Rich**, and **Rick Yellen** and says, "all are well."

Sylvia Moskowitz Orenstein reports that after teaching Russian history for many years, "at the prompting of my daughter **Aviva '81**, JD '86, I went back to school and earned a JD from Seton Hall law school in 1986." After a judicial clerkship in chancery court in New Jersey, Sylvia worked as a com-

Alfred Thieberger and wife Carol are now splitting their time between homes in New York and Florida but find that, "rather than slowing down, we are involved in more and more activities." Their expanding international business has offices in Puerto Rico as well as New York and Florida, and they are now also selling to domestic markets in the United States.

"The dog died and the kids were married years ago," reports **George Hays**, BME '61, from Morristown, NJ, and in August 1999 he retired after 34 years of corporate life. Though his divorce mediation practice is growing and George is president of the state association, he and wife Beverly plan to slow down a bit, to devote more time to community activities, to leisure travel, and to scuba diving. "That's not too bad for a life-long workaholic," says George. "We're planning to attend R2K."

Another "semi-retiree" is **Frank Critelli Jr.** of Slate Hill, who left his position in warehouse and distribution management after 30 years and found what he calls "a little job around the corner with no stress." He and wife Judy took a Caribbean cruise in honor of their 25th wedding anniversary and Frank's 60th birthday. Their son **Jamie '98** graduated last year and daughter **Alicia** is in the Class of '00. "I hope to see everyone at the 40th Reunion and my daughter's graduation," says Frank, who adds that he has become an expert on restaurants and lodging in the Ithaca area these past few years.

Allyn Smith, MS '67, writes from Riverside, CA, that he retired in July 1999 after 38 years in Cooperative Extension at land-grant universities; he began his career at Cornell and ended it at the U. of California. Allyn and wife Joy plan to travel around the United States, enjoy a few cruises with friends, spend more time with their seven grandchildren, and enroll in some courses. They also have scheduled a June trip to Ithaca for Reunion 2000.

Mary Mangan Deignan reports that husband **Joe '61**, MD '63, has retired from his practice as a thoracic and vascular surgeon. The Deignans have relocated from Zanesville,

"We're playing a lot of golf and doing a lot of traveling," says Elaine.

Lee Soule and wife Marjorie have moved from Lake Villa, IL, to Brookline, NH, because of his work for the Cabot Corp. Their son **Jonathan '94** works for Oracle Corp. in Redwood City, CA. Jonathan and wife **Laura Sines '94** are parents of the youngest Soule, Nathaniel, who was born in 1998. If all goes as planned, says Lee, "Nathaniel will be in the Class of '16."

Nancy (Groves), BArch '61, and spouse Robert Goss are parents of **Elizabeth '03** and **Richard '00**. Nancy notes that Elizabeth is a third-generation Cornell woman, as her paternal grandmother also attended Cornell. Nancy and Robert live in Pittsford, NY.

Sue Jobs Thatcher writes from Gwynedd Valley, PA, that she and **Dick**, MBA '62, "are still busier than we'd like," and looking forward "to spending more time traveling and with our family," especially with their four grandchildren. The fifth Thatcher grandchild will probably have arrived by the time this column appears.

I was sorrowed to hear from classmates who kept in close touch with **Jane Phillips** Goode during her recent bout with cancer that she died on Apr. 5, '99, in Wilmington, DE. Jane had been a tax consultant for 20 years after an earlier career as an analytical chemist at DuPont. She is survived by her husband, James, three children, and three grandchildren.

Send news. ♦ **Judy Bryant** Wittenberg, 146 Allerton Rd., Newton, MA 02461; e-mail, jwittenberg@neasc.org.



Nat Kolodney, BA '63, was inducted as a museum laureate of the State Memorial Historical-Literary Pushkin Museum in Russia for his work in bringing Russian culture to Russian immigrants who emigrated from the former Soviet Union during the 1980s and 1990s. Nat, formerly executive vice-president of Bronx House, a Jewish Community Center in the Bronx, is now president of Nathan Kolodney Consultants. He previously received an honorary doctorate from the St. Petersburg Biographical Inst. for his work.

Pauline Sutta Degenfelder, vice-president and director of the managed-care program of the Metro-Health system in Cleveland, was presented with the prestigious Greater Cleveland Women of Achievement award in recognition of her professional advancement, her support of other professional women, and her work as the board chair of the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Cleveland. The award also recognizes women who have promoted diversity. In her acceptance comments, Pauline spoke about the inclusiveness of the Cornell student body as a significant factor in her selection of the university for her undergraduate degree.

Franklin Loew, DVM '65, after serving as Cornell's dean of Veterinary Medicine for two years, left in 1997 to be chairman/CEO of Medical Foods Inc., a start-up company in Cambridge, MA. He also accepted the presi-

“In Turkey Bryan Patten and Kathy learned more about Hereke carpets than they'd originally planned, a very expensive lesson.”

— JAN MCCLAYTON CRITES '62

mercial litigator at a large firm in Newark. In 1997, she joined the appellate section of the Public Defender's Office. Sylvia and husband Jehiel, a rabbi, live in South Orange, NJ. Aviva now teaches at Indiana U. law school; daughter Debby is a rabbi like her father; and son Rafy is a physiatrist (a rehabilitative medicine physician) in North Carolina. The Orensteins also have five grandsons, who range in age from 1 to 16 years.

OH, to Glen Allen, VA, which is near Richmond. "We would love to hear from classmates in the area," says Mary, who can be reached via e-mail at DeignanVA@aol.com.

Another medical couple who headed south are **Stuart '58** and **Elaine Smith Schwartz**. When Stu retired from his urology practice in 1997, the Schwartzes moved from New Hartford, NY, to West Palm Beach, FL, where they built a home next to a golf club.

dency of 110-year-old Becker College in Worcester, a little private institution that offers career-oriented programs to middle-class and working-class students. Frank says he'll be rooting for Cornell when they come to Worcester to play against Holy Cross.

Judith Berman Brandenburg, stepped down as dean at Columbia Teachers College, but she continues to enjoy being a professor of education and psychology. Her son David is a composer and director of the Yale Jazz Band; another son Neal is a science teacher in NYC. MIT Professor of Civil and Environmental Engineering **David Marks**, MS Eng '64, married Lilian A. Kemp last December. **Iris Figarsky** Litt is professor of pediatrics at the Stanford School of Medicine.

Larry Zimmerman is still practicing pediatric dentistry in Cincinnati. Now on a moderately reduced schedule, Larry spends as much time as possible in Naples, FL, trying to improve his golf game.

Fred Siegal has been appointed medical director of the Comprehensive HIV Center of Saint Vincent's Hospital. Fred continues to be affiliated with Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva U. and with Rockefeller U., as well. When he isn't seeing patients and doing AIDS research, Fred takes guitar lessons, sails his Flying Scot, and reads the Aubrey-Maturin novels of Patrick O'Brian. His son, **David '89**, is a corporate lawyer in NYC and daughter Nina is a staff writer for the *NY Times*. Fred and wife Marta have been in touch with **Phyllis Hamburger** Rovine and **Ed and Judith Goldman**.

Judy Rensin Mandell had a signing at the Campus Store for her book *What to Expect in Your Fifties: A Woman's Guide to Health, Vitality & Longevity*. Husband **Jerry**, MD '62, is head of infectious diseases at the U. of Virginia Health Sciences Center.

Kent Gershengorn is a cardiologist at UCSF/Stanford Medical Center in San Francisco. He and **Rita (Milkman) '62** have been enjoying golf and visiting their grandchildren in Maryland in their spare time. **James Baden**, MD '65, is still practicing gynecological surgery in Hamilton, OH.

Sandra J. Perrott is an RN and director of Alzheimer's adult care at Morris View Long Term Care Facility in Morristown, NJ. She's enjoying such pursuits as cross-country skiing in Canada and sailing on the Chesapeake Bay and Long Island Sound, not to mention biking and kayaking. Also from Morristown comes word that **Larry** and **Lynn Litwin Ross '63** are still practicing law and real estate, respectively, and that son **Sacha '94** was to graduate from the Cornell Law School. Daughter Darah (Penn '98) is coaching lacrosse in England. Son Emil was to enter Cornell.

Margaret Farrell is counsel to a small litigation law firm in the Washington, DC, area. She enjoys "the comings and goings" of her four children, including one in Nanking, China. **Anne Klein** Rothman and **Brenda Zeller** Rosenbaum organized a reunion of S/D/T women who attended Cornell between 1956 and 1973.

Zurich Kemper Life appointed **Ed**

Robbins as senior vice-president and chief actuary. Ed joined Zurich Kemper in 1998 after heading up the life actuarial practice at KPMG Peat Marwick in Chicago. **Anthony Engelmores**, BFA '62, of Mechanicsburg, PA, sells promotional items and loves being his own boss.

Howard and Ellen Auslander Reitkopp have put their house in Bethesda on the market and are headed for retirement in the Stuart, FL, area. **John Sundholm** retired from the USAF, and has taken on a new "career" as a horticultural consultant at a golf/tennis/beach resort on the Delaware River in Upstate NY. **Jim R. Nolan**, PhD '67, of Plattsburgh, NY, claims to be the oldest class member, having done service in the CCC in the Thirties. Retired "mountain man" **Tony Seaver**, B Chem E '62, hikes, bikes, kayaks, and skis in the Steamboat Springs, CO, area. **Gardner Lewis** of Falmouth, MA, is just plain "retired and enjoying every minute."

Ruth V. Elcan retired after 28 years of teaching English and being an administrator at Holyoke, MA, Community College, and is now enrolled as an art student there. She and a former colleague Jill Tolen live in Pelham, MA. **Dave Waks** and wife Sandy are enjoying their consulting business (system-dynamics, inc.) in Morris Plains, NJ. They are currently working on high-speed data access to the home through cable modems.

Margaret Williams Puck returned to Ithaca from Encinitas, CA, to visit her mother and sister. She observes, "... it's always great to go back." **Jill Beckoff Nagy** completed two years as co-president of the Rensselaer County LWV. Jill speaks of "the added spice of constant changes in immigration law," the area in which her legal practice is concentrated. Her husband, **George**, PhD '62, is on sabbatical from RPI this year.

Ann Lasher Mihalisin continues her regular three-times-a-week tennis, goes to auctions, and manages four rental properties, including the 160-year old, 23-room house where she lives in Newton Square, PA. Her daughter Julie, who received an MFA from the Royal College of Art, designs and makes jewelry in Seattle, while her other daughter Elizabeth lives and works in Maryland. Ann's son, Jim, is pursuing a PhD in math at the U. of Washington.

Ken Blanchard, PhD '67, was the Grand Marshal of the Charity Invitational Golf Tournament in Gallup, NM. Ken and **Margie (McKee) '62** visited **George Malti, JD '63**, in Gallup, and plans were hatched for the Maltis' and the Blanchards' trip to Africa this past summer.

Rosanna Romanelli Frank was elected to the board of the Human Ecology Assn. **Bill Drake** is looking forward to June 2001. He hopes to be retired from the "friendly skies of United" by reunion time. **Peter and Judy Friedman Brandeis** have offered to help with reunion plans at our final pre-reunion planning meeting in Scottsdale, where they reside. ♦ **David S. Kessler**, 288 Lexington Ave., NYC 10016; tel., (212) 696-9203; e-mail, dsk15@cornell.edu.



What a wonderful adventure we enjoyed with Frank and Rosa Rhodes, David and **Susan K. Owen '93**, and Yervant Terzian aboard *Song of Flower* on Adult University's (CAU) trip to Turkey! It is a real treat to spend a mind-expanding week with Cornellians—in this case engaged in the study of antiquities, geology, cosmology, Turkish culture, and a very little time to fine-tune the negotiating arts. **Jane Barrows** Tatibouet (and **Cecily B. Tatibouet '95**, **Barnett "Buzz"** and **Donna Proopis Rukin '71**, **Bryan Patten** and Kathy, and **George Pittinos**, BME '63, were among the classmates with **Bob Crites '59** and me. It was also a treat to see **Mary C. Falvey '63**, **Carol Britton MacCorkle '64**, and **Ralph Janis '66**. Carol and I discovered that we both sell real estate with Coldwell Banker, she in San Francisco. Mary is also in San Francisco and has her own business. Ralph, the director of CAU, is privileged to attend many of the CAU offerings.

George Pittinos is a radiologist in Mobile, AL. He's very knowledgeable about Turkish and Middle Eastern carpets. The Pattens learned more about Hereke carpets than they'd originally planned, a very expensive lesson. Bryan and Kathy's daughter **Sarah C. Patten '97** carried on the family Cornell tradition when she graduated, the third generation to do so in the Patten family. **Michael G. Moore** is hosting a reunion of Chi Phi classmates in Pennsylvania Dutch country. Those expected include **James H. "Torch"** and **Susan Landy Lytle '64**, **Dave A. Mitchell**, BME '64, **Bob Siewert**, MME '64, **Don Keel**, B Chem E '63, **Bob Dedrick**, DVM '65, Bryan Patten, and George Pittinos. **Michael S. Egan** is applying restaurant management skills learned at the Hotel school in his new Dancing Bear Restaurant on Las Olas Blvd. in Ft. Lauderdale, FL.

The Louisiana Restaurant Assn. has named Jane and **Archie Casbarian**, proprietors of Arnaud's Restaurant in New Orleans, as 1998 Restaurateurs of the Year. The Casbarians purchased the famous restaurant in 1978 and have restored both the landmark property and its status as a world-renowned dining spot. Archie was instrumental in founding the Louisiana chapter of the Cornell Society of Hotelmen and served as its first president. Daughter **Katy Casbarian '99** is also a Hotelier.

Did you see the Martha Stewart feature last May on the Old Chatham Shepherding Company run by **J. Tom '63**, MBA '64, and **Nancy Williams Clark**, M Ed '64? **Duke** and **Pat Padgitt Wellington** spend summers in Claryville. Pat planned to go to Austria, Germany, and Switzerland in July with a local school group, leaving Duke at home with his 1,500 "pet" trout. They have grandchildren, Brooke, 3, and Thomas, 1. Their oldest son was married in December and youngest is still single.

Yours truly is still learning to navigate computers, but did manage to download a photo of a smiling **Dick Monroe**, BSAg '63, in receipt of the Boy Scouts' Silver Beaver award. Dick and Toni enjoyed a visit with Marty and **Vivian Grilli DeSanto '63**, who

Presidential Scholar

KATHARINE LYALL '63, PHD '69

As president of the University of Wisconsin system, Katharine Lyall leads 150,000 students, 7,000 faculty members, and fifteen campuses. The system's first female president (and after seven years in office, its longest-serving), Lyall has faced challenges ranging from dwindling state funding to late-night calls from campus police concerned about loud parties. "My day-to-day duties," she says, "span everything from lobbying the legislature to hiring campus chancellors to entertaining diplomats to attending the Rose Bowl."

After earning a degree in economics on the Hill, the third-generation Cornelian (granddaughter of Helen Brown Lyall '02 and daughter of John Lyall '30) worked in urban and regional planning in Yugoslavia while completing her PhD. She served as deputy assistant for economic affairs at the Department of Housing and Urban Development during the Carter Administration, and went on to teach economics at the University of Wisconsin, Madison, for fourteen years before being tapped as the system's president. "I came to my career in university administration by an unusual route," she says, "but with a wide variety of useful experiences elsewhere."

— Sharon Ellis '01



ually Exploitative Professional. Personally, her daughter Jessica is working toward her master's in filmmaking at Columbia. Son Ben is a computer programmer in San Francisco. Jennifer spent a week in Salvador, Brazil, in January.

Congratulations to classmate **Paula Trested** Oeste, who has met the requirement for the master of education degree from Penn State U. in Great Valley, PA. Paula's degree is from the instructional systems program with emphasis in instructional design, development, and training in corporate settings. She received the degree in May. In March, Paula presented her internship thesis work at the Distance Education Conference for on-line teaching and education held in Pittsburgh. Paula had to work with a management professor to prepare a course in business communications to be delivered via conferencing software using the Internet. Students met on-line rather than in a classroom. With her new credentials, Paula hopes to advance her business into areas of instructional design and technology.

Jongwhan Rim writes from Germantown, TN, that he had an accident similar to the one suffered by **Christopher Reeve '68**, which made it necessary to have serious cervical surgery in 1996. Due to the debilitating surgery he had to resign from the working world. He would love to see any classmates passing through the Memphis area. A few weeks ago, I talked with **John R. Lutz**, BCE '64, who told me he'd had a heart scare recently. His angioplasty was successful, but he has to follow some new eating and exercise habits. He was active before his heart problem. Glad to know he's doing fine now!

Dick Draper, BS Ag '64, and wife Lois have moved from Wisconsin to Whistler, British Columbia. Dick has "sort of retired." He started a company called Peripheron Technologies Ltd. in Vancouver. It manufactures printers and check readers for the point-of-sale market. He has others running it, does some consulting and sales, but has plenty of time for his fly-fishing school and guide service. He and Lois enjoy their four grandchildren.

Three of our classmates enjoyed Adult University (CAU) programs this past year. **Mary C. Falvey** attended "Greece, Rome, and America" in Charlottesville, VA, last October. **Pat Kelly** Poggi went to Santa Fe last August to attend "Opera in the Southwest." **Kathleen Dwyer** Marble, MAT '65, and husband Curtis attended "Tortola and the British Virgin Islands" in February. **Ned** and **Suzie Young Allen** are starting their third year of hydroplane racing. Their boat, UL 16, *The Alamo* has been the national champion for the past two race seasons (1997 and 1998). They travel across the country from May through September. This hobby has become a business and a way of life! Their race circuit takes them to Unlimited Hydro racing in Arizona, Indiana, Michigan, Virginia, Canada, Washington, and California. They still live in Fort Lauderdale, where their oldest son, daughter-in-law, and two grandchildren live. Still single son Number 2 is in Charlotte, NC.

Gerry Bourguignon is associate professor in the chemistry and physics department at Mi-

were participating in the American Coach Assn. Rally in Puyallup, WA. The DeSantos planned to visit Victoria, BC, Canada, and California before heading back to North Carolina.

Our undefeated national champion crew enjoyed a reunion during Cornell's June reunion festivities. Organized by **Warren** and **Nancy Bierds Icke '63**, with assistance from **Tony Hoffman**, BME '63, and **Bill Stowe**, the reunion featured the dedication of a new shell named '59 *Freshmen*. The new shell was used this year by the current heavyweight varsity crew. Reuners also included **Gary Brayshaw**, **Vic Ericson**, BA '63, **Bob E. Simpson**, BEP '63, **Chuck Schmid**, BEE '63, **Bill A. Walters**, BME '63, **Edgar** "Ted" **Hoag**, **Steve Peterson**, B Arch '65, and **Fred C. Hart**, BCE '63. Two of the crew's coaches, **Carl Ullrich '50** and **Walt Schlaepfer '50**, also returned. A highlight for this group was a row on the inlet in the new shell.

Reynolds Metals has announced the election of **John Lowrie** as senior vice-president. John will direct enterprise resource planning to integrate global business processes with computer software. Prior to his promotion, John was Reynolds's vice-president and general manager of the consumer products division, also in Richmond, VA.

Please respond promptly and positively to your class News & Dues mailing; both are needed! Go do it now! Thanks. ♦ **Jan McCloyton** Crites, 2779 Dellwood Dr., Lake Oswego, OR 97034; e-mail, jmc50@cornell.edu.

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As I write this article, **Warren Icke '62** and I are getting ready to head back to Ithaca.

Warren's freshmen crew was undefeated in 1959, and the guys are having a 40th reunion. They will also be giving a new shell to the university. I'll make sure the whole story gets in the next issue of the magazine in the 1962 class column!

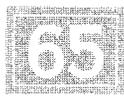
Thanks to all of you who have e-mailed me directly these last few months as well as to those who have written. I also have a small pile of News and Dues forms, which will keep me busy for a while. **Joel Sachs** was elected chairman of the Environmental Law Section of the New York Bar Assn., which consists of some 1,500 attorneys who practice environmental law in New York State. Last fall he organized a conference at the Statler in Ithaca wherein a number of Cornell professors spoke on environmental issues. He continues to practice law in the White Plains law firm of Keane & Beane, PC. In his spare time he teaches as an adjunct professor of environmental law at Pace U. law school in White Plains.

Jennifer Patai Schneider is still practicing internal medicine and addiction medicine in Tucson. Her subspecialty is treating chronic pain with narcotics, and this has elicited many invitations to speak on the subject around the country. She also continues her professional interest in sex addiction. She has had a new book published recently called, *The Wounded Healer: An Addiction-Sensitive Approach to the Sex-*

ami-Dade Community College, Kendall campus in Miami. **Robert Filner**, PhD '73, was elected last November to his fourth term as a congressman from California's 50th Congressional District (San Diego) without opposition!

Sad news from **Joseph A. Brennan** whose wife of 35 years, Sharon, died last fall from stomach cancer. Our deepest sympathies go to Joe and his family.

That's all for this month. I hope by the time you read this that you have paid this year's class dues and have sent the news form along with the dues. ♦ **Nancy Bierds Icke**, 42 Campus Ct., Racine, WI 53402; e-mail, ickc@execpc.com.



With the beginning of the fall semester, we salute all members of the Class of '65 with children enrolled in the Class

of '03. **Alice Schaeffer** Nadelman sent her first-ever submission to the class news explaining, "I just regained my Cornell spirit when my son, Joel, decided to become IL&R '03. We're delighted by his decision and eager to see some Big Red football games." Alice and husband Manny reside in Teaneck, NJ, where she has been a clinical psychologist since 1980, specializing in child welfare work with traumatized children, and Manny is a mathematician for Citibank. Their oldest child, Rachel (Brown '99), will continue her studies in Martinique. **Evelyn Brandon** Schechter's daughter, Rachel, is also a member of the Class of '03. Evelyn and Stuart write from Ft. Lauderdale, FL, that their older daughter, Kate, who was graduated from Columbia U. in May, has started working for the Office of the Manhattan District Attorney. **Gerald Isaacson** informs us that daughter **Rachel '02** "is loving her career at Cornell. She is active at Hillel and is a member of the Chai Notes, an *a cappella* group." Gerald and wife Sara, who live in Highland Park, NJ, also have son Avram, who was graduated from West Point in 1996. **Erika Rauch** McQuillan writes that son **Andrei '98** (I&LR) became a third-generation Cornell alumnus. Erika's father was **Solomon Rauch '26**, MD '30. She continues from Columbia, MD, that daughter Lisa is a student at the U. of Michigan.

While some of us still have children on campus, many others, like **Susan Anderson** Mansfield and husband Greg "have joined the ranks of grandparents." Susan sent e-mail to inform us that Xavier Orion Mansfield was born in November 1998. **David** and **Linda Lomazoff Roitman '66** of Cherry Hill, NJ, say they became grandparents twice within a few months with the birth of Rebecca Pearl to **Brian '90** and **Sonia Lees Roitman '90** as well as the birth of Gabrielle Talia to **Mitchell '92** and **Jamie Roitman**. **Mark** and **Deena Silverstein Scoblionko** of Allentown, PA, are also first-time proud grandparents to Samuel Bennett Bramson, born Apr. 2, '99 to Jim and Nanci Bramson of Washington, DC. We hear from **Barbara Epstein Gordon** and husband **Edward, DVM '65**, in Potsdam, NY, that their son **Jerry '01**, the youngest of four children, is a student in IL&R. They also

have "four wonderful grandchildren, ages 1 to 5." Barbara goes on to report that Edward retired from SUNY Canton after teaching veterinary science technology for 20 years, but she still teaches full time. Also with four grandchildren, **Barbara Brizdle** writes from Longboat Key, FL, "having retired to a life of travel and golf, I am just thrilled to have posted a 77 in our club's tournament." With five grandchildren, **Barbara Ward Goetchius**, MA IN T '66, and **Paul '64, DVM '67**, write, "We recently returned to the Syracuse area after living in Knoxville, TN, for six years. We loved the weather and lower taxes and cost of living but missed the extended family." Barbara and Paul have three children, including **Karen (Goetchius) '90** who is "also married to a Cornellian," **Michael Nevin '87, ME E '89**. Barbara says, "except for a few years being a stay-at-home Mom, I've been an elementary school teacher or pre-school director since graduating."

In addition to becoming grandparents, more and more classmates are informing us of their retirements. "This retirement stuff is pretty nice," writes **Albert DeFlorio, ME E '66**, of Wilton, CT. He goes on: "Donna and I are in the midst of restoring the interior of a '65 (appropriate year) MGB. G-d help us when it comes time for the exterior!" **Donald Glenn Sullivan, BS Hotel '66**, writes that he and wife Margaret "retired for the third and final time, sold our home in the San Francisco Bay area and bought a beautiful new home on a golf course in La Quinta, CA, with a pool, as well! *La Quinta* means country villa in Spanish, and for you golfers, has been home to 'the skins' game for the last three years."

Susann Brown updates us from Rochester, NY: "1998 was a hectic year. I retired after 31 years in the challenging and always stimulating child welfare field. In May, Terry Chrzan and I married on a glorious day for a garden wedding. I'm thoroughly enjoying retirement and married life. Would love to hear from Chi Gam and Phillips House friends." In July 1998, **David Bridgeman** retired from Dow Chemical. He continues by saying that he wonders how he ever found time for work between golf, camping, computing, and church activities. David and Hazel reside in San Jacinto, CA. Also enjoying retirement, **Maurice "Mo"** and **Courtenay Klug Hoag**, live in the Pinehurst, NC, area and are busy playing golf and tennis. They also participate in lots of volunteer activities for the Kiwanis Club, North Carolina Symphony, and the local arts group. "We took time out to go on a cruise to the Persian Gulf and India in November 1998 and on a month-long trip to New Zealand in February 1999. We're looking forward to seeing many classmates at the Y2K Reunion." Finally, **Lou Ferraro** informs us that he, too, has retired after 25 years in a civilian position, but is still active in the Air Force Reserve as a major general, assigned to HQ Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, IL. He is also doing part-time logistics and management consulting. Lou and wife Linda, who

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also enjoy being grandparents, reside in Murfreesboro, TN.

David Tetor writes us from Clinton Corners, NY, where he resides with wife Louise. "I have been working for Cornell as a Cooperative Extension agent/educator for 29 years and have had the opportunity to see many changes at Cornell during that period: the Agriculture Quad with Stone, E. Roberts, and Roberts Halls gone and the new Roberts and Kennedy halls put up, and major improvements to Mann Library underway." David, who serves as first vice-president for the Agriculture and Life Sciences Alumni Assn., co-chaired the National Agriculture and Alumni Development Assn. meeting, held on campus in July 1999, attended by many from the land-grant colleges of agriculture throughout the country. David concludes, "Where have all the Class of '65 Ag College graduates gone? Haven't seen too many at our last two reunions!"

Deborah Dash Winn sent e-mail from Seattle, WA, to relate a story about a coincidental meeting with **Manuel "Manny" Garcia** at Snowmass, CO, during President's Day weekend. "Our flight to Aspen from Denver had been canceled because of bad weather, so we rented a car with Lou Pinella, manager of the Seattle Mariners, who was also on our flight. By chance, Lou, whom none of us knew before the ride, was staying about 200 yards up the road from us in a home rented by his long-time friend, Manny Garcia. We invited Lou and his wife and Manny and his wife for cocktails one evening. Someone asked Manny, who's from Tampa, where he had gone to college, and when he said the Hotel school at Cornell, they asked him to tell me. What a coincidence that we were in the same class!"

Maddy Gell Handler reminds each of you, "Project K/2K is under way. There are more than 250 e-mails listed on our web page at www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1965, a quarter of the way to our goal. Please add yours if it is not already in our class directory. If you would rather list a phone number, call our reunion chair, **Penny Skitol** Haitkin, at (212) 986-7202. We are counting on you to spread the word to all the '65ers with whom you have contact."

Finally, on a somber note, we regret to inform you of the death of **Gordon Kirkland**, who was professor of biology and director of the Vertebrate Museum at Shippensburg U. We express our deepest sympathy to his wife, **Carol (Jordan) '66**, who wrote to inform us of this sad news. ♦ **Florence Douglas** Bank, 6420 Goldleaf Dr., Bethesda, MD 20817; e-mail, rkbank@erols.com.



I hope you all had a good summer. Dr. **Charles M. Weeks**, senior research scientist at the Hauptman-Woodward Medical Research Inst. Inc., in Buffalo, spent a week in the Canary Islands tutoring at the La Laguna Direct Methods School. He is a biophysicist specializing in utilizing mathematics and crystallography to determine the three-dimensional structure of molecules. Charles

has been a member of HWI since 1968 and has published many papers.

Hugh and Erin Fleming Starr report that three of their four children, one of whom is **Forest '93**, have finished college, and the fourth will start college next year. Alumni interviews are now being done by a father/son team in Simsbury, CT. **Robert Hartranft Jr.** and **Scott '01**, give a combo interview to prospective students with the old and new perspectives on life at Cornell. Somehow, Scott gets more attention. **J. Jeffrey McNealy** is actively involved in the Columbus, OH-Dresden, Germany sister city movement, organizing a Christkindl Market for Columbus for the upcoming holiday season.

Donald Stewart tells us of the graduation of son **Donald "D. J." '98**, making him a fourth-generation Cornellian. **Elliot Eisenberg**, ME AESP '67, has spent six and one-half years, along with his regular job at Penn State, working on the sixth edition of *Vector Mechanics*. He and wife Toby took some time off in the summer of 1998 to travel to Maine. Their son **Jason '95**, ME E '96, works in computer design. **Susan Cassell** is deputy chief, civil division in the U.S. Attorney's office in New Jersey. **Paul K. Anderson** was named to 2000/2001 *Who's Who in Business*. He owns and manages House on the Green, LLC, a Chester, VT, country inn, as well as Scheduling Dynamics Inc., a supermarket consulting firm. **Leonard Coburn** travels to Russia several times a year and has found amazing changes this past year due to the collapse of the economy. He and wife Evie also travel frequently to the Southwest, especially New Mexico, and have developed a passion for pottery.

Robert E. Johnstone, 369 Lakeview Dr., Morgantown, WV, reports that he was rediscovered by a former Cornell track and cross-country teammate after 31 years. His name had been in a Cornell publication. So, read your mail, as you never know where old friends are to be found. **Donna Swarts** Piver entertained several Cornell friends last Thanksgiving. Visiting with her were Ken and **Anne Evans** Estabrook '65, MBA '66, **Joanna Tom** Leong and son John (Penn '00), Joanna's mother, and her niece **Jennifer Tom '01**. Anne, Joanna, and Donna were in Delta Delta Delta while at Cornell. **Geraldine "Jerry" Sussman** Marcus continues in private practice as a speech and language pathologist while **Averill, MILR '67**, is an employment law attorney. Their daughter Jennifer (Stanford '98) works in health care in Washington, DC. Son Jeff graduated Yale law school this year.

Judith Blakeslee Harvey, JBHarvey@Kennett.net, is establishing herself as a realtor with Prudential Preferred Properties in Chadds Ford and West Chester, PA. **Dennis '65** and **Joyce Ostroff Black** visited Marc and **Laurie Krasny** Brown on Martha's Vineyard in June 1998 to celebrate the Browns' 15th wedding anniversary. Joyce and Dennis also traveled to Budapest and Prague last October after Dennis attended a legal conference in Vienna. Lawyer **Bruce Bergman** now publishes two annual supplements to his books *Bergman on New York*

Mortgage Foreclosure. Last December Bruce and wife Linda were honored by the American Jewish Congress in Great Neck, NY, with the Allard K. Lowenstein Award. **Catherine Eugenia "Jeanne" Brown Sander** is membership chair for the Cornell Hotel Society, DC Chapter. Her daughter **Kristin R. Sander '99** (Hotel) was in the Wind Symphony Band. Jeanne enjoyed the band concerts on two visits to Ithaca last fall.

Several classmates attended Adult University (CAU) off-campus programs last spring. **Larry**, ME I '67, and **Marsha Beirach Eisen '67** attended the spring theater weekend as did **Michael** and Audrey **Rauchway**. Professors for the weekend were **Glenn Altschuler**, PhD '76, and Ronald Wilson. **Ann Kristin "Kris"** and Jan **Loeber** cruised aboard the MV *Song of Flower*, studying nature and civilization in the ancient Mediterranean. Professors for the cruise were David Owen, Frank Rhodes, and Yervant Terzian.

Donald and **Susan Rockford** Bittker (your correspondent) report that their son Joshua graduated from MIT in June. He will be attending Harvard this fall in the chemistry and chemical biology department. Josh was awarded a Howard Hughes Medical Inst. Predoctoral Fellowship in Biological Sciences.

I hope you are all adjusting to the six columns a year format and understand that because of this, it takes a longer time to get your news printed. We are interested in what you do and who you are, so patience, please. For more rapid updates, contact our website, www.classof66.cornell.edu. A very special thank you to **Roy Troxel** for all his efforts in putting the site together. Send him news by e-mail at: RoyTroxel@erols.com. Please continue, of course, to send in lots of news with your dues. We want to hear from you even if it is just to say hello and let us know you are there. ♦ **Susan Rockford** Bittker, 424 Pea Pond Rd., Katonah, NY 10536; e-mail, Ladyscienc@aol.com; and **John Miers**, 5510 Huntington Pkwy., Bethesda, MD 20814; e-mail, miers@us.net.



The beat goes on—to Cornell, that is, when it comes to progeny of '67 turning up on the Hill. Children of four classmates attended Summer College as high schoolers in 1998: Lauren Bonilla, daughter of **Carlos Bonilla-Ayub '69**, doing intro architecture; Nick Kohan, son of **Xavier Kohan**, in precalc, contemporary moral issues, and law and legal profession; Jamie Rubenstein, son of **Franklin Rubenstein**, also in precalc, intro psych, and veterinary medicine; and Jaime Wasserstrom, son of **Alan Wasserstrom**, in comparative government, critical reading, humanities, and sciences.

Stephanie Brandstetter Smart (sbsmart@rochester.rr.com), 23 Shelter Creek Lane, Fairport, NY, spent a month earlier this year visiting thermal pools and rain forests in New Zealand. Back home, she's working part-time as vice president of communications with the

local chapter of the Association for Psychological Type, doing psychological testing with Myers Briggs. Stephanie notes that her father, **Frank Brandstetter '33**, died last November: "His spirit of adventure and courage began when he was an Austrian immigrant and continued through careers in electrical engineering, the Brandstetter Hotel, and Photo-Scope. For 50 years he shared his friendship and wisdom worldwide with colleagues and students of optical technology."

Life has been good, **Christian C. Day**, 580 Roberts Ave., Syracuse, NY, avers, and, as professor of law at Syracuse U. He adds, in support thereof, that he's director of the Center for Law and Business Enterprise and completed service as chair of a \$16 million building project at the law school. And: "My four favorite women are engaged in fruitful pursuits. Ann, my wife, is obtaining another master's in science teaching from Syracuse. My sister, **Christine J. Day '75**, is a senior at General Theological Seminary, NYC. Daughter Kimberly is in her last year at Temple's law school. And daughter Hilary made us grandparents again last year."

Bob L. Thompson, who moved to the World Bank (rthompson@worldbank.org) in Washington, DC, as rural sector strategy and policy advisor in 1998, received two honorary doctorates last May: Doctor of Science from Pennsylvania State U. and Doctor of Laws from Dalhousie U. in Halifax, NS, Canada.

Richard H. Marks, MBA '68, (richard.marks@citicorp.com) is "now in my 11th year in Madrid, still working for Citibank. I was at Cornell last October for the dedication of the Johnson School at Sage Hall. Daughter **Lenore '97** joined us on a trip to the Grand Canyon and then returned to NYC, where she's studying acting, while we went on to Santa Fe and Scottsdale. We took our son Ross to the Savannah College of Art and Design, where he started his freshman year."

Suellen Havy wrote to advise of the death of husband **Bruce Havy** in May 1997: "We met in 1965 at a Cornell-sponsored project in E. Harlem, NY. He had chronic myelogenous leukemia for two years. He was able to work until he was hospitalized and wanted to attend the 30th Reunion, but didn't live to go."

Edward L. "Ned" Robertson II (elrobertson@bkb.com), 10 Wagon Wheel Rd., Sudbury, MA, became regional president for the Boston Metro region of Bank Boston. He was married on June 20, '98, to Sandra Reyes. "Son **William R. "Rob" Robertson II '98** completed a 3,700-mile solo bicycle trip from Falmouth, MA, to San Francisco to raise money for ALS (Lou Gehrig's Disease)." [*William is named for his grandfather, William R. Robertson '34, who recently attended his 65th Reunion.—Ed.*]

Carol Blumenthal Matoren, 8863 Heavenside Ct., Jacksonville, FL, and husband Harvey own Claims Security of America. Sons Steven and Brian are in sports and entertainment production; Carol's been listed in *Who's Who in American Nursing* since 1991 and is in *Who's Who in American Women*. ♦ **Richard B. Hoffman**, 2925 28th St., NW, Washington, DC 20008; e-mail, rhoffman@erols.com.

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I hope you have had a good summer. A note from Adult University (CAU) reports that **Nancy Libson** attended their program in Annapolis. **James Kurt Medert** lives in Bethesda, MD. **Charlene Friedman** Forest lives in Brooklyn, NY, and is a biology professor at Brooklyn College.

I'm sorry to report a recent letter from **Jay Waks**, JD '71, regarding the April death of **Steve Tannen**. Steve leaves wife Anne, a real estate executive in Bernardsville, NJ, his daughter **Heather**, a student in Cornell's joint MBA/MLR program and Scott, his son, a recent graduate of Vanderbilt U. The Tannen family has requested that classmates who wish to remember Steve send a contribution in his memory to Cornell's I&LR School, c/o Dean Ed Lawler, 309 Ives Hall, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY 14853. Jay Waks is a partner with the Kaye, Scholer Law Firm in New York City.

Michael Platzer, JD '71, MA '71, lives in Bridgetown, Barbados, where he is in charge of the UNDCP regional office. I must admit that his letter does not explain what UNDCP is. I have assumed it is part of the United Nations, and if that's wrong, he can send a correction.

Albert Bensley, ME E '69, lives in Honeoye Falls, NY. **Jay Berke** lives in NYC. **Art Bernstein** lives in Boca Raton, FL. **Len Bisk**, BS Hotel '69, lives in Ithaca, NY.

Peter Bos is a restaurateur and developer in Destin, FL. **Steve Boucher**, ME M '69, lives in Amherst, NH. **William Braun**, BIE '69, ME I '70, lives in Parsippany, NJ. **Alan Brush**'s daughter Carly recently turned 13, with a bat mitzvah celebration in Boston Harbor attended by my own daughter Nicole. Alan and his family live in the town of Weston, MA, in a house they recently built. **Randy Bus**, BS Eng '69, is a consulting engineer with Cemcon Ltd. **Robert Arnold** lives in Short Hills, NJ. **Robert Girts**, BS Eng '70, lives in Pittsburgh, PA. **Sue Rosenfeld** Franz is a teacher in New York and lives in Hastings-on-Hudson, NY. **Lynne Buttner** Frazier lives in Richboro, PA, and works with a company called Intracorp in Philadelphia.

Eric Friedman is a doctor in Valparaiso, IN. **Richard Garick** works in restaurant management in Bedford, NH. **Pat Gerschel** lives in New York City and works in an investment-banking firm called the Gerschel Group in NY. **Dave Ratner** lives in Great Neck, NY.

Dennis Morrisey lives in Maynard, MA. **Cheryl Katz Kaufmann**, husband **Nick '67**, and family live in Scarsdale, NY. Cheryl is a very busy eye surgeon and, I understand, still an outstanding tennis player. **Laurie A. Koerber** lives in Simi Valley, CA. Dr. **Barry Kohn** lives in Carmichael, CA. **Maddy Berman** Heintz is an attorney in New York City. **Merlin Tousant** lives in Manlius, NY. **Paul Weigel** lives in Edmond, OK. **David Weisbrod** lives in Greenwich, CT. **Frances Swanton** Gotesik lives in Lima, NY.

George Loranger, BS Eng '69, lives in Warren, PA. **Steven Larry** lives in Saint Charles, IL. **Nancy Kaye Litter** and husband **Bob '67** live in Calabasas, CA. **Jeff Leavitt**

lives in Beachwood, OH. **Don G. Robinson** lives in Homer, NY. **Liz E. Reed**, PhD '74, lives in Ithaca, NY. **Paul Rohan** lives in Westport, CT. **Ed Platt** lives in Scarsdale, NY, and is a securities analyst with Dreyfus Corp. in New York City. **Susan Relin** Korn lives in Newton Centre, MA.

Send in some pictures or a report of your summer vacation. I look forward to hearing from you. ♦ **Gordon H. Silver**, Putnam Investments, 1 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109; fax, (617) 760-8349; e-mail, gordon_silver@putnaminv.com.

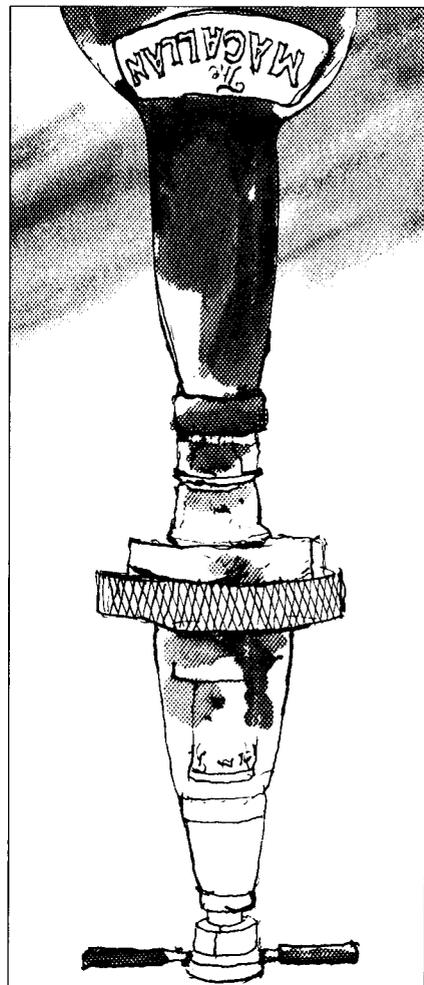
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After a 21-year layoff (!), **Janet Meyerhoefer** Martin has been working for about two years as a home health nurse for a new home health agency called PresbyCare. She lives at 109 Terra Alta Cir., Havertown, PA 19083, and her e-mail is: porger@aol.com. Her husband of 28 years is the Delaware County editor at the *Philadelphia Inquirer*. Their daughter Lynn graduated in May 1998 from Colgate U. and is now working as a youth director at their local Bryn Mawr Presbyterian Church. Daughter Elizabeth graduated from high school in June 1999 and attends Susquehanna U.

Margo O. Russ is a CPA and can be reached at 7302 46th St. W., University Place, WA 98466. For the academic year 1998-1999 she taught for the U. of Maryland College in Germany. She was on leave of absence from Pierce College where she has taught accounting for ten years.

Jonathan Gellman and wife **Bette Kirschstein '79** live at 638 West 227th St., Riverdale, NY 10463, and their e-mail is: kirschgell@earthlink.net. He says that while many of us are finishing paying college tuition for our children, they have just started the process. On May 8, '98, they were greeted by the birth of their identical twin daughters, Elizabeth Kay and Sarah Victoria. He continues to practice law in Manhattan and Bette teaches at Pace U. as a professor of English. Let the new millennium begin! Congratulations. **Carol Deluca** Hunter is professor of US history at Earlham College, a small Quaker liberal arts school in Richmond, IN. She and husband Robert live at 531 W. Main, Richmond, IN 47374, and her e-mail is: carolh@earlham.edu. Their daughter Rachel is a senior at the College of Wooster, majoring in theater and music. Their son Daniel is a junior at Earlham with a double major in computer science and peace and global studies.

Alfred L. "Hank" Baker says that after years of "not knowing what caused it," he and wife Mary had their first child in 1997. Ashley has changed their lives, almost all for the good! Hank will be 65 when she starts to drive! They spend half their time in Denver where they are developing two real estate projects for Forest City Development. In Park City, UT, they are all getting ready for the 2002 Olympics and trying to get in as much skiing and golf as possible. **Jim Winchester** lives in a once again sleepy little enclave of Los Angeles—Brentwood. He is president of Litton Aero



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It's not particularly odd for three generations of a family to graduate from Cornell—but it *is* unusual for them all to have the same name: first Albert F. Goetze Jr., then Albert F. Goetze III, and now Albert N. Goetze, known as Nick. Grandfather Al was a mechanical engineering major, while both his son and grandson studied agricultural economics. All three were active in Greek life, although they pledged different fraternities.

For fifty years, Goetze Jr. managed the family meat business in Maryland. Goetze III is vice president of a Maryland-based spice company. And Nick Goetze, having recently graduated, is still contemplating his career options. Goetze Jr. hopes a future great-grandson will continue the Cornell tradition; whether or not there will be another Al Goetze is another question. "Al III was enough," he says. "We gave Nicholas a different middle name, which he sometimes uses to disguise himself."

— Dan White '02

graduate team. Bill "was the oldest alum on the team"; the "kids" in front of him included a couple of ex-varsity players from both the men's and women's teams. It was worth every one of the over 2,000 miles to Ithaca from Ohio for both weekends of the tournament. He met great people, made new friends, and got to play in Lynah Rink! Bill used to go to all the hockey games back in the '60s and '70s, but nothing compares to actually being on the ice. Bill will be back next year and urges other Class of '70 grads to give it a try! Bill's e-mail: kanga@mail.bright.net; his web site: <http://www.bright.net/~kanga/>; and his phone: (419) 423-4604. ♦ **Connie Ferris** Meyer, 16 James Thomas Rd., Malvern, PA 19355; e-mail, conimae2@aol.com.

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I believe it was feminist leader Gloria Steinem who, when told she did not look old enough to be 50, replied, "This is what 50 looks like." Many of us need only look in the mirror to know what 50 looks like, but **Dale Cohen** and other classmates have an even better idea. By the time you read this, it will NOT be too late to attend the Class of 1971 50th Birthday Gala Celebration Dinner Dance on Saturday, September 25 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. at the New York Marriott/Financial Center in lower Manhattan.

As Dale elegantly (and sensitively) e-mailed: "This year, instead of fearing blindness from the flickering of 50 flames, let's toast to the golden glow of our futures as we enter the second half of our personal century of enlightenment." To RSVP or for more information, please e-mail Dale at dalec@lagcc.cuny.edu or phone her office at (718) 482-5060. Class members of ALL ages, with their spouses, significant others, dates, companions, "or even ex-es," will be welcome. Millennium, Schmilennium: These no-longer Baby Boomers are having a birthday bash!

The news is otherwise sparse as I await the Dues updates you are mailing even as I type this column for a June 16 deadline.

Writes **Bill Grauer**, JD '74: "Now that my daughters are teenagers and do not have enough time to talk to me, I finally have time to send in a report for our class news." That's not all the good news: Bill's daughters both want to attend Cornell. "So, have the Hot Truck ready for Parents' Weekend 2002!" Bill is a partner at San Diego law firm Cooley Godward LLP where he specializes in technology and securities litigation and government investigations, a field Bill learned well in a previous career as special fraud prosecutor for the U.S. Dept. of Justice. Active in the San Diego County and California Bar associations, Bill served two terms as chair of the county bar's ethics committee and the executive committee of the state organization. He currently chairs the federal court discipline committee and recently won the Outstanding Trial Lawyer Award of the San Diego Trial Lawyers Assn. His wife Lana (Syracuse '72 and Yale PhD '75) has retired after 20 years as a biochemist at Hybritech. Speaking of Cornell daughters, **Mike Emen's** daughter Carrie was

Products, a division of Litton Industries. They develop navigation systems for the commercial airline industry. He says if you are flying and got where you were going, a Litton inertial navigation system helped. His daughter is a graduate of Marymount College in Los Angeles and has her own real estate sales business. His e-mail is jwinchester@littonapd.com.

Guy Toby Marion and wife Eileen are at 59 South Bay Rd., Apt 23C, Hong Kong, and his e-mail is tmarton@compuserve.com. At the end of 1998, Toby took early retirement from Caltex and set up Asian Consulting Resources Ltd. in Hong Kong. He is providing services in logistics and marketing strategy to companies in Hong Kong and Asia. He is also working to establish collaboration with U.K. and U.S. firms, primarily in the logistics area. More recently he has started a second company, LCP Asia Ltd, which is a joint venture with Logistics Consulting Partners of the U.K. They are the leading specialist supply chain and logistics consulting firm in UK, with European and now Asian reach, initially focusing on the Hong Kong and China markets. Their son Guy is in Hong Kong for the summer after

his first year at Stanford, and is Toby's IT officer in the company. He loves Stanford, the Bay Area, and surfing, and doesn't want to think about snow and slush (aka Ithaca!). Their daughter, Louisa, is a high school senior and is talking of Stanford, Penn, and Cornell. She's in France for the summer learning to speak what the Marion ancestors spoke over 300 years ago. Toby has been attending Cornell Club functions and sees **Martin Tang**. He saw **Charley De George** at Exxon this summer for lunch, speaks to **John Boepple**, and exchanges e-mails with **Bob Langer** (only living member of the NAS, NAE, and the Inst. of Medicine), who has really pushed back the frontiers of biomedical engineering.

After 25 years away from Ithaca, **Bill Kelsey**, MBA '74, returned this year to play in the Cornell Campus Hockey Tournament. Several months earlier he saw an article in *Cornell Magazine* about the tournament, which was to include an alumni team. He wound up playing goalie for the team in the tournament. In true Class of '70 Cornell Hockey tradition, the alumni team won!: 4-3 over the faculty, 2-1 over an undergraduate team, and 4-3 over a

accepted into Human Ecology as a member of the Class of '03 where another fresh-person is to be **Marc Cohen's** daughter. What makes this especially interesting, writes Mike, is that "Marc and I went to school together from grade school thru law school." On the work front, Mike has been commuting from New Jersey to Rockville, MD, since his employer, the American Stock Exchange, was acquired by NASDAQ, where he is now head of listing qualifications for the NASDAQ-Amex Market Group. The weekend haul was due to end this fall, as Carrie moved on to Cornell and son Jake entered high school in Maryland. Reach Mike at mikeemen@aol.com.

A PBS documentary prepared by Marylander **Linda Davis Harrar**, an independent filmmaker, is expected to air this fall. This special on population and the environment, with particular focus on teenagers, was shot on locations around the world. Last April, your correspondent appeared as a "talking head" on a history channel weather documentary, where I got to "commentate" about a favorite topic, the New York City Blizzard of 1888. A "near-Cornell" experience was recently reported by **Holly Person Flynn** who wrote, "I just returned from the annual herb fair and plant sale at the Shaker Museum and library in Chatham, NY. To my delight, a former student in my seventh grade home economics class, **Margaret "Greta" Breedlove Garber '83** was leading a weed walk, exploring wild plants. Greta signed copies of her recent book, *The Herbal Home Spa*."

In May, **Eileen Nuhn Petrillo** wrote from Rocky Point, NY, to report the death of **Kathryn Donnelly** (Human Ecology) on Apr. 1, '99. She had just celebrated her 50th birthday but had been laid low by a series of strokes and complications of diabetes. Kathryn, who had lived in Auburn since graduating from Cornell, was a guidance counselor at Cato Meridian High School for ten years after an 18-year career teaching home economics at the same school. "She was someone I greatly respected and wished to grow old with," wrote Eileen. She reminds us all to enjoy one another while we can, individually, or at the Class of '71 NYC 50th birthday party. As someone of our generation once wrote on the rocks at the bottom of Fall Creek Gorge, under the Triphammer Bridge: "Life: Consider the Alternative." ♦ **Marsha Ackermann**, 1612 Waltham Dr., Ann Arbor, MI 48103; e-mail, ackerm28@pilot.msu.edu; **Joel Moss**, 110 Barnard Pl., NW, Atlanta, GA 30328; (404) 255-0565; Fax, (404) 255-0955; e-mail, jmoss 5849@aol.com.



Since this is my last column of the second millennium, I want to bid farewell to the past 100 decades and hope everyone has a healthy and prosperous next thousand years. Have a fun time on December 31, but don't go overboard. As Austin Powers would say, "Oh, behave."

Michael Belzer, PhD '93, accepted a position on the faculty of the U. of Michigan (Inst. of Labor & Industrial Relations and

Business School). Michael is the author of *Sweatshops on Wheels*, about the impact of deregulatory policy and economic competition, particularly in the trucking industry. **Vicky Dominoy Boyd** is treasurer of the Delaware State Education Assn. and a science teacher at Lake Forest High School. She does a great deal of traveling as a DSEA officer and says it is quite a challenge trying to juggle two full-time jobs while raising two teenage girls as a single parent. Vicky's daughter Jessica, 18, is starting college, while daughter Courtney, 14, is entering high school. **Bonnie Goldsmith** Clewans of Williamsville taught jewelry making and wire working at the Embellishments beading conference in Portland, OR. **Charlie C. Hunt** was promoted to president of PERQ/HCI Research, a medical marketing research firm. **Rodney Sutton** is president of Sutton & Tarantino Insurance Agency in Saratoga Springs.

Bob Mauro reports that son **Craig '01** plays first base on the Big Red baseball team and younger son Reid '03 will have started his freshman year on the Hill this fall. Bob is now in the process of convincing daughter Emily, a high school sophomore, to follow the Mauro men to Cornell. Also with a child in Cornell's freshman class is **Joe Kandiko**, whose daughter, Camille '03, enters the Arts college this year. She has a position as manager for the lightweight football team, on which Dad/Joey played for four years. (I think the official name of lightweight football is now "Sprint Football.") Joe is in his 20th year of family medical practice in Chaska, MN. **Michael G. Miller** moved to Kittelberger Florist & Gifts in Webster. He continues as corporate secretary for the local florist delivery co-op and is active in the local Florist Assn.

Alan M. MacRobert married Abigail Hafer, a biologist and college professor, in 1997. Their children Lucy and Andrew are 13 and 10. Alan is an editor at *Sky & Telescope* magazine and writes an astronomy column for the *Boston Globe*. He is also active as a member of the Bedford, MA, Democratic Committee. **Christine A. Holtkamp** is busy as a volunteer weekend manager at the local Ronald McDonald House and as co-coordinator of "Sibshop," a sibling support program for the brothers and sisters of chronically and terminally ill children. She facilitates sibshops at Yale New Haven Hospital and writes the "SuperSib NewsFlash" newsletter. Christine also volunteers for two weeks every year as a counselor at the "Hole in the Wall Gang" Camp for children with blood diseases and cancer. In her "spare" time, Christine works in research at the Yale School of Medicine and the Yale Cancer Center, as well as sitting on the boards of the Connecticut chapter of the American Society of Clinical Laboratory Scientists and the Advisory Board of the Friends of the Children's Hospital at Yale New Haven Hospital Sibling Program. Christine deserves accolades for her tireless work on behalf of children with serious illnesses.

Susan Jaye Gutierrez is living full-time on Cape Cod, working in real estate sales, and keeping busy with renovations of her house

and garden. Daughter Kate, 25, (Georgetown '96) is a reporter for the Landmark paper; Ellen, 23, a recent Georgetown graduate, is job hunting in NYC; while son Mike, 20, is a sophomore at Columbia. **Devra L. Braun** is clinical assistant professor of psychiatry at Cornell Medical College, and works as assistant medical director at a group practice in Greenwich, CT. Devra resides in Larchmont with husband Peter Smedresman and sons Adam, 13, and Gabe Smedresman, 15. **John Heaton** and family moved back to Atlanta after four years in Austria, and they are anxiously awaiting completion of construction of their new home. He recently celebrated his 20th anniversary with the Coca-Cola Co. **Jeff Samuels** is a tax partner at Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison in NYC. He and spouse Fran await the new millennium because: (1) they will aggregate 100 years; (2) they will celebrate their 25th anniversary; and (3) son Arthur, a history major, will graduate from Brown, and son Seth, a talented thespian, will graduate from high school. What does the Samuels family do for an encore in 2001?

Sally Richner Bridenstine started a personal property appraisal business (jewelry and antique decorative arts) in Richmond, VA. She is also a dealer in antiques, textiles, and costumes, importing a majority of her inventory from Great Britain. Sally happily reports that she married Thomas S. Bridenstine, Major, US Army, Retired, in May. He has a background in health care administration and regulates managed care organizations for the Commonwealth of Virginia. The couple went to Hilton Head, SC, for their honeymoon, where Tom, an avid tennis player, coached Sally, the beginner. **John Cincotta**, BS Ag '73, is Owner/CEO of Air-Tronics, dba Hospitality House, a major distributor to the lodging industry in the Northeast. John and spouse Pamela live in Cortland with children Chad, 23, Adam, 18, and Ashley, 17. **Patrice Kassten Schwartz** received a professional stipend to attend Harvard's Project Zero, working with Howard Gardner from the Grad School of Education. Her son **Jeremy '00** is spending his junior year abroad in Tanzania studying biodiversity and wildlife.

After 21 years with another law firm, **Gary Sesser** joined Carter, Ledyard & Milburn as a partner in 1997. He does anti-trust, maritime law, and commercial litigation for international clients. Gary and wife Rachel (Penn '70) have children Michael, 18, a sophomore at Yale (which shows how little influence Gary has), and twins Anne and Ben, 14. Gary says there is still hope the twins will attend Cornell. All of the children play lacrosse. Last summer, **Bruce Gelber** and Gary attended the State Department ceremony at which Dr. **Eric Edelman** was sworn in as US Ambassador to Finland. In January, Gary saw **Cathy E. Duke** and **Paul Kaye** at the Cornell-Yale hockey game in New Haven. Gary says that he has also seen **Peter Bartfeld** and **Rich Johnston** recently. **Ronald Moss** completed the sale of his family business and is temporarily retired. He is building a new home in Fountain Hills, AZ. Ron's son Jason,

24, graduated college, moved back home, and is managing a deli. Daughter Tamara, 23, graduated from the Art Inst., moved back home, and is working in the fashion business. Evan, 18, is a sophomore at U. of Arizona, majoring in pre-vet, and son Justin, 17, is a freshman at U. of Arizona.

Diane Flanel Piniaris is a writer, with several books published in Greece, where she currently resides. **Alex Barends** sends his class dues from Ann Arbor, MI. **Craig Yunker**, BS Ag '73, proudly says that sons **Cyrus '00** and **Christian '02** attend the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. Craig serves as chair of the Cornell ALS Advisory Council and also chairs the Small Business Advisory Council of the New York Federal Reserve Board.

I regret to report the death of **Robert W. Horton**, BS Ag '71, of Copley, OH. Robert passed away from a sudden heart attack on Oct. 9, '98. Our condolences to his widow Paula. Send news. ♦ **Alex Barna**, 1050 Eagle Lane, Foster City, CA 94404; e-mail, abarna@mail.arc.nasa.gov; **Gary Rubin**, 512 Lenox Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090; tel. (908) 232-8468 (H), (212) 686-7700 (O); e-mail, glrubin@aol.com



It's that time when news from the fall of 1998 has just about run out, but we know that you'll soon be sending us updates. Of course, we appreciate hearing from you all year long. I do have e-mail news and a few miscellaneous items, so here we go.

Michael Lawitts, MBA '75, writes from Chicago suburbs where he and former wife **Katherine A. Sutton '76** moved ten years ago. Mike and I go back to Miss Panietz's fourth grade, along with **Deborah S. Levin '72**, and Cornell just cemented the friendship. Mike works as a consultant designing, developing, implementing, or auditing enterprise and/or quality systems in precision manufacturing environments. He's presently working for a division of Pennzoil-Quaker State, "doing his share to make the agricultural and industrial world safe from friction." His experience of spending two years each in engineering, agriculture and life sciences, and business has been ideal for working with a diverse clientele. Mike has sons Ben, 13, and Josh, 11, with whom he travels to Cornell when they're making their annual pilgrimage to Syracuse. Like true future Cornellians, the boys like the game rooms and the gorges. Mike periodically runs into his former gymnastics teammate, **Russell S. "Rusty" Eisenberg '76**, an emergency room physician and also the father of two soccer competitors to Mike's sons. Mike would enjoy hearing from teammates and friends, especially if they have e-mail (MLawitts@aol.com). Mike ponders the mysteries of the world in his spare time, including the one all parents contemplate: why children's food and candy wrappers can't make it the extra three feet to the garbage can.

The Adult University (CAU) let us know that **Norman I. Goldstein** participated in an off-campus program in Annapolis, MD. Government professor Valerie Bunce and history

professor Walter Lafeber presented a session on "The American Century: Lessons and Dilemmas of America's Rise to World Preeminence." If you've never experienced one of these programs you might want to try one. You'll enjoy the chance to re-immense yourself in "higher learning."

Elaine Snitzer Better sent news from Cincinnati, OH. Elaine works in private practice psychiatry, treating children and adults. She is married to Stan Better and has one step-daughter and three daughters. **Sharon Kern** Taub lives in Riverdale, NY. She reports that she had a great time at our 25th Reunion, almost as good as going to Cornell the first time around. She has since gotten together with other Cornell friends who were not at reunion. She's seen **Paul A. Levy '70**, and **Shira Siegel Linden** and husband **Ron**.

Eric Fine has been appointed an administrative law judge by the National Labor Relations Board (NLRB). Eric had been an administrative law judge in the Social Security Administration before returning to the NLRB, where he has worked for 20 years. Eric was the general counsel's lead counsel in the National Football League case, a long and complex trial that resulted in a \$30 million settlement in 1994. Eric received his law degree from George Washington U. in 1976. He lives in Silver Spring, MD, with wife **Shellie (Replansky) '75** and children Nicole, 13, and Jaime, 7. Another NLRB employee is **Ellen B. "Rocky" Rosenthal**. Ellen lives in Royal Oak, MI, with husband Rick Whiteman and their son Andrew, 10. Rick also works for the NLRB in Detroit, which keeps them busy when they're not watching Andrew's soccer games or traveling to exotic ports.

We're not off on any European adventures anytime soon, just getting ready to send the oldest, Katie, 14, off to high school, and to maintain our gas mileage driving Mitchell, Anna, and Christine, 10, to their games, activities, and friends' houses. I only wish that cheering sports and driving shed pounds the way carrying around babies and toddlers did! Please keep your news coming. ♦ **Phyllis Haight** Grummon, 1531 Woodside Dr., E. Lansing, MI 48823; e-mail, grummonp@msu.edu; **David L. Ross**, 4231 90th Ave., SE, Mercer Island, WA 98040; tel., (206) 236-4231; e-mail, thedaveross@home.com.



As I write, it is reunion weekend on the Hill, and it makes me think about next year.

How many Cornellians are able to say that their 25th reunion will be held in the first year of the new millennium? I hope that you are keeping June 8-11, 2000, open to return to Ithaca for friends and fun.

I've received more and more quick e-mail updates from classmates. Keep them coming! **Marcia (Ulrich)** and husband **Bernhard "Benny" Seibald '76** report that son **Jonathan '03** will study in Arts; potential classmates of his can reach him at jms714@aol.com. A fellow former Donlonite,

Bonnie Siber Weinstock, and husband Gary celebrated the bat mitzvah of their daughter, Nicole, in May. Helping to celebrate were: **Irene Blecker** Rosenfeld, PhD '80 (Bonnie's former roommate and now president of Kraft Canada), with husband, Richard Ilgen and daughters Carol and Allison; **Joan (Milbauer)** and husband **Ken Husserl '74**; **Ralph Berger '74**; **Sharon H. Foster '74** and daughter Nicole; **Randy Rosenberg '74**, wife Joan, and their daughter, who will also be in Cornell's Class of 2003; **David and Joan Leibowitz Breidbart '78**; and **Ken Kirschner** and wife **Andrea L. Chase '79**.

Michelle Weiner Bettman and **Gary '74** hosted a gathering at Okemo Mountain earlier this year. In attendance were **Don and Karen Klein Polakoff '76**, **Liz (Carter) '76** and **Michael J. Foster, JD '78**, **Lauren Bettman '01**, and many other potential Cornellians.

Andrew D. Weinberg recently left the Harvard Medical School faculty to join the Emory U. Medical School in Atlanta. He is an associate professor, teaching geriatrics and long-term care. **Ed Edelson** writes that he, wife Christine, and youngest child (17) live in Bermuda where he is general manager for Esso Bermuda, a marketing affiliate of Exxon Corp. He says that they love Bermuda; it beats the 13 years of working and commuting in South Florida, and he has a complete set of Bermuda shorts. He can be reached at ededelson@northrock.bn. **Kathy Mann** Horlick is in our nation's capital where she and husband Gary live with sons John, 10, and James, 6. Kathy volunteers with the Women's Bar Assn. of Washington, DC, and runs a volunteer tutoring program for her neighborhood school. They travel a lot and recently returned from Uzbekistan. She can be reached at khorlick@aol.com.

Don F. Sherman, MPS '81, lives in Golden, CO, and is principal of Thermo-RETEC, an environmental engineering firm. He and wife **Chris Cosentini '76**, BS Ag '78, have 7-year-old twins. **John Spratt** is chairman and CEO of Orthopaedic Health Service. He and wife Patricia have four children and they live in Old Lyme, CT.

More of our classmates have been going to Adult University (CAU) for vacations and continued learning opportunities. **Kathaleen A. Cattieu** attended a weekend field seminar at Assateague Island and spent time in Casa de Palmas in McAllen, TX, studying birds. **Charles King** and wife Paula spent a Spring Theater Weekend in New York City, while a group of classmates took a cruise with Frank Rhodes and others to study nature and civilization in the Mediterranean. Attendees included **Nancy E. Uyeno** with **Phyllis Stevenson Uyeno '42**; and **Alex Sapega**. Class Correspondent **Mitch Frank** spent a weekend in Annapolis learning about the American Century.

Recent company press releases: **Joel Helmrich**, MBA '76, joined Meyer, Unkovic & Scott LLP, in Pittsburgh, PA, as a partner, focusing on corporate reorganizations, debt

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NEWSLETTER OF THE CORNELL ALUMNI FEDERATION

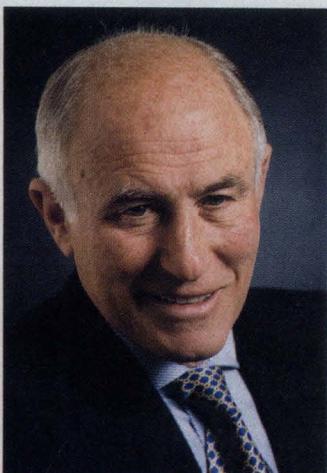


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Diana Daniels '71



George Gellert '60, MBA '62, JD '63

AND IN CLOSING...

Statements from Outgoing Alumni-Elected Trustees

DIANA DANIELS

MY DEEPEST THANKS TO ALL of you who have given me an extraordinary gift and honor—that of being a trustee of one of the world's premier academic institutions.

In the statement I submitted when seeking election to the Cornell Board of Trustees, I wrote that I wanted to work on assisting Cornell's leadership in maintaining the quality of research and scholarship at the University, in providing leadership in society, and in continuing to reach out to one of Cornell's strongest assets—its alumni. Cornell has made strides in all those areas and I am glad to have been in some small measure a part of those efforts.

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GEORGE GELLERT

IT HAS BEEN AN HONOR AND A privilege to have served as a Trustee of this prestigious University for the past four years. The experience has increased my understanding of the vastness of Cornell's resources, the complexity of its physical and human concerns, and the unlimited scope of its potential. It also has been extremely gratifying to witness this institution's progress in several areas that I consider to be very important: enhancing its global presence and reputation, broadening its funding sources, improving the investment return from its endowment, upgrading its physical facilities, and increasing employment opportuni

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RING IN THE NEW!

Chimes Rededication Celebration

IN JUNE OF 1998, THE BELLS IN MCGRAW TOWER WERE REMOVED AND SHIPPED TO Meeks, Watson & Co., a bell foundry in Ohio. At the foundry, two new bells were cast, a third was added, and the entire set of 21 bells was tuned together for the first time in their history. The newly tuned set returned to campus in May, and will be reinstalled in the tower, complete with a new playing clavier, linkages, and a new configuration designed to improve sound projection across campus.

We invite you to attend the Chimes Rededication Celebration in concert with Homecoming weekend, November 5-7, 1999. The weekend's events will include a dedication ceremony, lectures on bell casting and tuning, tours of the newly refurbished tower, concerts (many a melody!), and the world premier of a newly composed musical piece for the Cornell Chimes.

For more information, call (607) 255-2373 or visit the Chimes website at: www.cornell.edu/zChimes/.



New Directors and Officers Chosen for the CAF Board

AT ITS JANUARY 1999 MEETING, THE FULL FEDERATION BOARD UNANIMOUSLY endorsed the nominations committee's slate of candidates for six at-large and ten director-from-the-region positions to serve for two years beginning in May 1999.

New directors-at-large include: Deanne Gebell Gitner '66, Jeffrey Goldstein '90, Lisa Jones '84, Courtney Mangone, MBA '94, Christine A. Miller '84, MBA '89, and Meredith Rosenberg '92. Retiring directors-at-large

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS / SEPTEMBER 15- NOVEMBER 15

For updated information on Cornell Club events, call the Office of Alumni Affairs, (607) 255-3517.

INTERNATIONAL

Alumni Affairs, Oct. 21—International Spirit of Zinck's Night. For information, visit site www.alumni.cornell.edu.

METRO NEW YORK

CC/Northern New Jersey, Sept. 15—Board Meeting. Call Michael Sacks, (973) 912-9679.

CC/New York, Sept. 16—Ciao Bella Ice Cream tasting. Call Penny Haitkin, (212) 986-7202.

CC/Monmouth/Ocean Counties, Sept. 17—Cornell Club kickoff party at the home of George and Jane Schildge with Andy Noel, associate director of athletics. Call Carole Fishman, (732) 842-7478.

CC/Long Island, Sept. 18—Big Red football vs. Princeton at Princeton. Tailgate. Call Alan Mittman, (516) 754-7096.

CC/New York, Sept. 21—Young alumni orientation week. Call Penny Haitkin, (212) 986-7202.

CC/New York, Sept. 23—Sushi & Asahi Night. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Sept. 24—Family Flick: "A Bug's Life." Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/Long Island, Sept. 26—High school student bus trip to Ithaca. Call Marilyn Price, (716) 887-9886.

CC/New York, Sept. 30—Cornell/Princeton mixer. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Sept. 30—Mets vs. Atlanta. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Oct. 1—Madame Butterfly. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Oct. 4—Cornell Fund Phonathon. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/Monmouth/Ocean Counties, Oct. 13—Cornell Fund Phonathon at the office of Hayt, Hayt & Landau, Eatontown. Complimentary dinner. Call Pat Fontecchio, (732) 671-2669.

CC/New York, Oct. 15—American Symphony Orchestra Concert. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Oct. 29—Halloween Ball at the Yale Club. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/New York, Nov. 9—Cornell Phonathon. Call Rachel Jaffe, (212) 692-1381.

CC/Northern New Jersey, Nov. 10—Dinner with President Emeritus Frank H. T. Rhodes. Call Michael Sacks, (973) 912-9679.

CC/Long Island, Nov. 10—Bus trip to Cornell for high school students. Call Marilyn Price, (716) 887-9886.

NY/ONTARIO

CAA/Greater Rochester, Sept. 15—Book club meeting. Call Kristen Hallagan, (716) 242-0199.

CAA/Mid-Hudson, Sept. 18—Dutchess County Hike, Stissing Mountain. Call Ed Faber, (914) 876-3784.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Sept. 18—Family pot luck picnic at Seneca Park. Cost, \$5. Call Usama Abdali, (716) 546-4062.

CWC/Batavia, Sept. 18—Scholarship FUND-raiser at Best Western Batavia Inn. Call Mary R. Wright, (716) 345-9422.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Sept. 30—Estate planning for the 21st century featuring Robert Kessler and Nannette Nocon at Woodcliff. Contact Martin O'Toole, motoole@hsealaw.com.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Oct. 7—CAAAN Training Session. Call Peter Cardamone, (716) 624-7050.

CAA/Mid-Hudson, Oct. 12—Cornell Fund Phonathon at the Farm & Home Center, Millbrook, NY. Call Mike Makaar, (914) 452-8694.

CWC/Batavia, Oct. 23—Luncheon. Chip Malone speaks on "Helping Russian Farmers Help Themselves" at the Best Western Batavia Inn. Call Mary R. Wright, (716) 345-9422.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Oct. 26—Phonathon. Call Karen Bronson, (716) 425-9469.

CC/Genesee-Orleans, Oct. 26—Fall Dinner Meeting at the Village Inn, Childs, NY. Call Doug Call, (716) 344-1050.

CAA/Mid-Hudson, Nov. 2—Big Red men's soccer vs. Army. Cheer on the Big Red at West Point. Call Jon Wechsler, (914) 266-8943.

CAA/Mid-Hudson, Nov. 3—CAAAN Training in Poughkeepsie. Call Janelle Styles, (914) 635-1454.

CAA/Greater Rochester, Nov. 13—Foodsorting at FOODLINK. Call Gidget Ingalls, (716) 377-3627.

NORTHEAST

CC/Boston, Sept. 17—Alumni Business Network Breakfast. Adrian Tinsley speaks on "Challenges to Higher Education From Technology." Call Wendi Rabiner, (617) 491-0246.

CC/Boston, Sept. 23—Tour the contemporary art collection of Liz Lea '60. Cost, \$25. Call Scott Tarpley, (617) 236-5785.

CC/Greater Hartford, Sept. 26—Annual Kick-Off Luncheon at the Farmington Marriott. Eric Daniels '73, president and CEO of Travelers Life Annuity on "Under the Big Red Umbrella: From Cornell to Travelers." Call Madeline Handler, (860) 232-0383.

CC/Greater Hartford, Boston, Rhode Island & Bristol County, MA, and the Cornell Football Association, Oct. 2—Cornell football at Brown with pre-game tailgate. Look for the Cornell banner. Tickets, (401) 863-2773, ask

for the Cornell section. Call Madeline Handler, (860) 232-0383; Wendi Rabiner, (617) 491-0246; or Jenn Henderson, (401) 849-5337.

CC/Boston, Oct. 4—Cornell Fund Phonathon. Call Northeast Regional Office, (617) 557-4168.

CC/Boston, Oct. 15—Alumni Business Network Breakfast at the Four Seasons Hotel with David Asher, Research Fellow, MIT Japan Program. Call Wendi Rabiner, (617) 491-0246.

CC/Boston, Oct. 16—Orienteering. Call Marius Albota, (781) 981-5463.

CC/Boston, Oct. 19—PCCW fall event with Liz Altman '88, Motorola Executive on "Designing a Life that Works in the Corporate World." Call Northeast Regional Office, (617) 557-4168.

Vermont Cornellians, CC/Hartford, Oct. 23—Big Red football vs. Dartmouth. Call Sue Furry-Irish, (802) 985-2442 or Madeline Handler, (860) 232-0383.

CC/Greater Hartford, Oct. 24—Bus Trip to Cornell for high school students. Call Bill and Sue Day, (860) 673-5958.

CC/Greater Hartford, Oct. 24—Fall Festivities, including hayride, pumpkin picking, and more. Call Jennifer Barton, (860) 657-2954.

CC/Boston, Oct. 25—Head of the Charles. Meet by the Weeks Footbridge 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Call Gina Haas, (617) 864-7813.

Vermont Cornellians, Oct. 25—Cornell Fund Fall Phonathon. Supper at Carbur's on St. Paul Street in Burlington followed by phoning at Merrill Lynch on Main St. Call Walt Bruska, (802) 985-4121.

CC/Boston, Oct. 29—All-Ivy young alumni Halloween party. Costume or creative black tie. Cost, \$20. Call Lisa Held, (617) 478-5000.

CC/Boston, Nov. 11—Young alumni happy hour at Back Bay Brewing Company. Call Northeast Regional Office, (617) 557-4168.

MID-ATLANTIC

CC/Washington (DC), Sept. 18—Potomac Paddle XII. Cost, \$20/boat. Lunch on Roosevelt Island. Call Bob McKinless, (703) 256-5451 or e-mail, r1m10@cornell.edu.

CC/Greater Philadelphia, Sept. 29—All-alumni event with President Hunter Rawlings. Call Sharon Bader, (610) 995-5289.

CC/Washington (DC), Oct. 2—Old Rag XXVIII. All-day hike in the Blue Ridge Mountains with Cornell-in-Washington students. Call Bob McKinless, (703) 256-5451.

CC/Washington (DC), Oct. 12—Board meeting at the Cornell Center. Call Jeanne Naujeck, (202) 333-4957.

CC/Washington (DC), Oct. 14—Financial Planning Series: "Retirement Planning." Call Michael Grinnel, (301) 986-6546.

CC/Washington (DC), Nov. 9—Board meeting at the Cornell Center. Call Jeanne Naujeck, (202) 333-4957.

CC/Washington (DC), Nov. 11—Financial Planning Series, "Charitable Giving Strategies." Call Michael Grinnel, (301) 986-6546.

NORTH CENTRAL

CC/Southwestern Ohio, Oct. 16—Tall Stacks '99, a day of fun and excitement on the Cincinnati riverfront and an evening riverboat dinner cruise. Cost, \$70 for club members and their families. Call Rich Popper, (513) 933-0887.

MIDWEST

CC/Chicago, Sept. 17—Members-only Subsidized Architectural Boat Trip. Call Bob Stelletello, (708) 812-3362.

CC/Chicago, Sept. 26—AIDS Walk. Call Donny Luehring, (312) 422-8207.

CC/Chicago, Oct. 27—Cornell Fund Phonathon. Call Aaron Gadous, (312) 855-5892.

SOUTHEAST

CAA/Blue Ridge Mountains, Sept. 25—Fall Outing at Conneestee Falls. Lunch, golf, tennis, hike, swim. Call Ruth Bailey, (828) 883-4488.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Oct. 21—Luncheon at Michael's on East in the Ballroom. Call Dean Bock, (941) 925-8441.

CAA/Atlanta, Oct. 26—Cornell Fund Phonathon. Call David Wheeler, (404) 264-2127.

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Oct. 27—Cornell Fund Phonathon at Merrill Lynch. Call Rodger Gibson, (904) 285-4303.

CC/Greater Jacksonville, Nov. 4—Monthly Luncheon. Call Robert Mar, (904) 766-5555.

CC/Sarasota-Manatee, Nov. 11—Luncheon at Michael's on East in the Ballroom. Call Dean Bock, (941) 925-8441.

SOUTHWEST

CAA/Greater Houston, Sept. 18—Picnic, pool party, shrimp. Fifth annual gathering. Cost, \$10. Call Craig or Liz Bello, (713) 218-6168.

CAA/Greater Houston, Nov. 10—Cornell Phonathon, dinner provided. Call Gail Willis, (713) 461-6800.

WESTERN

CAA/Northern California, Sept. 15—Happy Hour at Hobson's Choice, Haight Ashbury in San Francisco. Call Lauren Myers, (650) 794-1496.

CAA/Northern California, Sept. 18—Annual Fall Picnic. Napa luncheon catered by Cali-

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whose terms ended in May are: Sanford M. Gibbs '64, and Jennifer Herskowitz '88.

Beginning new terms as directors-from-the-regions are: Ginger So '79 (Metro-New York); Herbert Fontecilla '66, ME Nuc '67 (Mid-Atlantic); Natalie Cornell '79 (Mid-west); Frederick Antil '55 (New York/Ontario); Karen Sehl '76 (Northeast); Thomas Jeffers '63 (North Central); and R. Edwin Maglisceau '60, MBA '62 (Southwest/Mountain). Beginning second terms are: Christine Mendrykowski Felton '90 (Northeast); Jon Vollmer, MBA '81 (Southeast); and Alan Beimfohr '66 (Western). Outgoing directors-from-the-regions include: Deanne Gebell Gitner '66 (Metro-New York); Muriel

Bertenthal Kuhs '61 (Midwest); Leon Smart '82 (Mid-Atlantic); Dorothy Preisner Valachovic '71 (New York/Ontario); Merle Kramer Mermelstein '82 (North Central); and Kenneth Portnoy '70 (Southwest/Mountain).

At its May 1999 meeting, the Federation board unanimously approved the following slate of 1999-2001 officers presented by its nominations committee: Sharon Hegarty Williams '65 (president); Donna Forsman '63 (vice president); Deanne Gebell Gitner '66 (vice president); Muriel Bertenthal Kuhs '61 (vice president); James Sawyer Jr. '73 (vice president); and Kelly J. Smith '88, MBA '92 (vice president). Director of Alumni Affairs Mary F. Berens '74 continues as secretary/treasurer.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (CONT'D)

fornia Cafe/Napa Valley Grille with floriculture and ornamental horticulture professor Leslie Weston on "The French Connection to Cornell." Cost, \$20. Call Alumni Affairs, (607) 255-1271.

CC/Southern Arizona, Sept. 26—Fourth Annual Tee Fee Crane Party and Poolside Chicken Barbeque at the home of Harvey and Rowe Young. RSVP by Sept. 17. (520) 531-8938.

CAA/Northern California, Sept. 26—Reception for Cornell applicants at the San Francisco Airport Marriott. Call Jane Bessin, (650) 967-1271.

CAA/Northern California, Oct. 2—Hike in the Peninsula/Half Moon Bay. Call Liz McKersie, (415) 552-2240.

CC/Southern Arizona, Oct. 14—Prof. George Hudler, CALS, on "Magical Mushrooms & Mischievous Molds." Call Dick Zeilman, (520) 575-0218.

CAA/Northern California, Oct. 16—Cornell vs. Colgate football game televised from Colgate. Call Paul Belcher, (415) 665-0595.

CC/Western Washington, Oct. 16—Big Red football at Colgate televised. Call Irene Argue, (206) 232-6092.

CC/Western Washington, Oct. 18—CAAN event. Brush up on facts and figures about

the Big Red. Dessert and coffee. Call Leslie Scheidt Redd, (206) 545-1514.

CAA/Northern California, Oct. 20—Happy Hour at Hobson's Choice, Haight Ashbury in San Francisco. Call Lauren Myers, (650) 794-1496.

CC/Southern Arizona, Oct. 23—Zeena Warrior at the Gaslight Theatre, Bloomington, AZ. Reserved seats in the orchestra. Cost, \$14. Call Floyd Tewksbury, (520) 544-4552.

CC/Western Washington, Oct. 23—Big Red football at Dartmouth televised. Call Irene Argue, (206) 232-6092.

CAA/Northern California, Nov. 6—Cornell night at the mystery play "Sheer Madness" in San Francisco. Call Pat Stocker, (650) 326-7242.

CAA/Northern California, Nov. 9, 10—Cornell Phonathons. Call Alex Barna, (650) 341-1714.

CAA/Northern California, Nov. 12—Antiques, Appraisals, and Auctions and the new Internet focus. Call Allan Brookstone, (925) 256-7223.

CAA/Northern California, Nov. 13—The Oakland Museum's "Amazing Bikes: Two Centuries on Two Wheels" tour and informal lunch. Call Tom Nement, (510) 652-6537.

Daniels

Over the past four years, much has changed at Cornell starting with the inauguration of Hunter Rawlings as Cornell's tenth president, followed by Harold Tanner's becoming chairman of the Board of Trustees, and the appointment of numerous new vice presidents and deans, the latest the April 1999 appointment of Lee Teitelbaum as dean of the Law School. Of the many issues facing the University four years ago, much has been accomplished in the areas, among others, of providing an invigorated residential living and learning environment for freshmen and sophomores, implementing re-engineering measures to reduce costs University-wide, promoting undergraduate research opportunities through the Presidential Research Scholarship program, developing a marketing strategy for attracting the best students to Cornell and encouraging greater alumni support, and ensuring that Cornell's doors remain open to the best students without regard to their ability to pay through the current campaign for undergraduate scholarship endowment.

As an alumni-elected trustee I have gained an appreciation of the outstanding efforts alumni make on behalf of Cornell and hope that you in turn feel that I have served you and the University well. With effective leadership and your support, Cornell will continue to be strong and resilient as it faces the challenges of a University in the twenty-first century in providing an environment for acquiring knowledge, engaging in debate, and educating tomorrow's leaders.

As I enter my next term, I look forward to remaining involved with Cornell and giving back to the University and the Cornell community a small measure of what they and you have given me.

Gellert

ties for students and alumni.

Although there has been considerable progress in these and other vital areas, there still is an enormous amount of work to be done, particularly by the Board of Trustees, which must provide the necessary leadership. I feel that the Trustees would be better positioned to do so if the Trustees were to serve a term of six rather than the present four years. It takes about two years just to assimilate all of the relevant information and make a meaningful contribution.

Maintaining and enhancing Cornell's preeminence among the world's leading educational institutions will require renewed commitment to four goals: *first*, insuring academic excellence by attracting faculty members who are at the forefront of innovation in their fields; *second*, improving athletic superiority by refining recruitment practices and modernizing sports facilities; *third*, adopting fiscal management practices which more closely resemble those of the business world; and *fourth*, leveraging the University's intellectual capital to create new methods of instruction and generate revenue from heretofore unimagined sources.

The irony of becoming a Trustee is *not* that it represents the culmination of my involvement with Cornell. Rather, I am more committed than ever to maintaining this great institution's unceasing growth and vitality into the twenty-first century. I wish to continue as an active member of the task forces and committees which I have already joined. I will eagerly make myself available to serve in any capacity which will enable the University to meet the needs of future generations of students, faculty, and alumni.

SAVE THESE DATES!

**Zinck's: October 21
Homecoming: November 5-7**

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restructuring, and bankruptcy. Joel lives in Upper St. Clair and serves on the board of trustees of the Western Pennsylvania School for Blind Children. **Matthews Masayuki Hamabata** was appointed director of learning for the California Endowment, a private health care foundation in Woodland Hills, CA. In April, **Mark Kamon** became vice president of business planning and manufac-

porter for the *New York Times*. Living in nearby Upper Montclair, **Robert B. Stein** enjoys banking law as a partner with the New York firm of Wolf, Block, Schorr Solis-Cohen. Robert and wife **Paula Kirschenbaum '76** have children Erica, 16, Joanna, 13, and Alex, 10. They celebrated their 20th anniversary with a ten-day trip to Italy without the kids. Now that's the way to enjoy the scenery! Robert has kept up with senior-year room-

Lennox '75, BS Hotel '76, also a New Jersey resident and another new member of the KPMG team. I am also in touch with **David Emmerson**. He has a very exciting and adventurous year ahead of him. He and his family are packing up and leaving sunny San Diego for a year. David is taking a sabbatical from teaching science at La Costa Canyon High School, where he is the district's science coordinator. He is going to be teaching science at Bahcesehir "College," a newly established K through 12 private school in Istanbul, Turkey. His daughters Dena, 11, and Laura, 8, will attend Bahcesehir and benefit from all of the wonderful experiences derived from living in a foreign country for a year. He hopes to be able to take advantage of the accessibility of Europe and enjoy extensive travel with his family at the end of the academic term. I'm sure if any of you find yourself in this region of the world, you could stop in and say hello.

"I hope we may live in a world where our knowledge and technology will be accessible to all."

— PAT ROTH '76

turing services at Bethlehem Lukens Plate, a division of Bethlehem Steel Corp. Mark has been with the company for over 20 years, starting at Lukens Steel and working his way up through several supervisory and management positions, becoming special assistant to the chairman after the merger of Bethlehem and Lukens prior to this most recent promotion. I saw Mark and wife **Christine "Ting" (Magill)** at their son Mike's lacrosse game. Mike had just been named to the All-American team and planned to enroll at Army this summer, while older brother Jake will be a junior at U. of Virginia and sister Emily will be starting ninth grade.

Other college-bound children of classmates: Chris Reinig, son of **Jeanne Fattori** Reinig and husband Tom, is off to Johns Hopkins, while Ridgely Harrison IV, son of **Ridgely "Chip" '74** and **Lynn Arrison Harrison**, is going to Union College.

Dan Barry wrote that he was going on his next shuttle flight in May. He gave me the address of the NASA website, so I checked it out. I am happy to report that the nine-day mission to resupply the International Space Station safely landed in Florida on June 6. Dan took his second walk in space and can be reached at dtb7@cornell.edu for more details.

From **Joan Pease**: News abounds from New Jersey this month. **Vincent E. Gentile** is in Princeton, where he is a partner at Drinker Biddle & Reath, specializing in commercial and environmental litigation. He and his wife have Andrew, 13, and Daniel, 10. Also in Princeton, **Susan Todes** Perl is president of the local Cornell Alumni Assn., PTA vice-president at the Princeton Community Japanese Language School, and public relations representative for the West Windsor/Plainsboro Girl Scout Service Unit. Wedding news comes from **Justus B. von Lengerke**, BS Eng '77, who married Suzanne Gallagher last November. They'll live in New Jersey, where he is the owner of the Justus Buick dealership in W. Caldwell. Congratulations!

Jan Hoffman enjoys being a new mom in Montclair, NJ. Aviva Bella joined the family on May 4, '98. When Jan isn't chasing the little one around the house, she is a legal affairs re-

mates, **Steve Swirsky** and **Dan Schwimer** (both ILR), while Paula's in touch with her former roommate **Shelley Winkler** Stopak '76.

Also touring Italy last year was **Sue M. Ford**, who visited relatives before traveling by train through Venice, Turin, Florence, Sorrento, and Rome for two weeks. When not on vacation, Sue is an associate professor in the pharmaceutical sciences department at St. John's U. in Queens. Another world traveler is **Dinesh Khanna**, currently executive director at Hotel Holiday Inn in Mumbai, India. Dinesh writes that he also built The Club, the first city club in India, emphasizing sports, health, and recreational activities. Following in dad's footsteps, son **Bharat '01** is studying on the Hill.

Correction: In the July/August issue **Diana Turek-Gever**'s e-mail address was incorrect; it should be Turekgever@aol.com.

Don't forget to send or e-mail your news to the class correspondents. ♦ **Deborah Gellman**, 330 E. 79th St., #8G, NYC 10021; e-mail, gellman@bloomberg.net; **Joan A. Pease**, 6767 Blanche Dr., Lorton, VA 22079; **Karen DeMarco** Boroff, 49 Fuller Ave., Chatham, NJ 07928; e-mail, boroffka@shu.edu; **Mitch Frank**, 6613 Crenshaw Dr., Orlando, FL 32835; e-mail, mjfgator@aol.com; and **Barbara Foote** Shingleton, 43 Chestnut St., Boston, MA 02108; tel., (617) 227-7374; (617) 227-1617; e-mail, bfooting@aol.com.



Hi, fellow classmates! A little light on news this month, which is stressful, because then

I have to be somewhat creative, something I left behind a long time ago! So please send in your news so that I don't have to be e-mailing friends for things to write. Anyway, the little that I've heard, been written to about, or am personally familiar with, I am only too happy to pass along. I spoke with my former roommate **Ellen Cord** Dember. She's living in Montvale, NJ, with husband Andy and sons Sam, 8, and Ross, 6. Ellen has switched jobs and is working at KPMG in Montvale, NJ, as a senior human resources consultant. Ellen gave up an hour-and-a-half commute to New York City for a five-minute drive. There, she had lunch with **Dean**

Don Zinn, a 22-year veteran of the information technology industry, was appointed president of Cognet Corp. Don joined Dynalog (Cognet's predecessor company) in 1988 as executive vice-president with responsibility for marketing, business development, and operations management. Cognet Corp. develops and markets software solutions that streamline software distribution to the desktop, increasing the reliability of the resulting PC configurations while reducing costs by as much as 90 percent. **Robyn Zucchini**, MBA '81, is living in Burbank, CA, and is the regional marketing director for Clinique Cosmetics. **Suzanne M. Avena** is director of business production for AIG Environmental, the world's largest primary insurer of environmental risks. Suzanne lives in Whitestone, NY. **Susan Most** Armstrong writes that all is well in Weston, CT. She has a 14-year-old daughter and a 9-year-old son. She is still in touch with **Stacey Savin** Chatigny, who came to her daughter's bat mitzvah in May 1998. Susan reports of other local Cornellians: **Laura M. Klauberg**, and **Lynn (Rosenbluth) '75** and **Rick Saltz '73**, MBA '74. **Marjorie Faber** still works as a soil scientist for the US Dept. of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service in Windsor, CT. She vacationed in Europe and Quebec in 1997 with **Nancy Lease '77**, and also made a trip to New Zealand. **Randy H. Katz** writes that he finally fulfilled his dream by selling his house and moving to a condo on the waterfront in San Francisco. His junior-level textbook on hardware design has sold more than 50,000 copies, and was even in use at Cornell the last time he checked.

Thomas W. Kingsley lives in Bloomfield, NY, and is a registered representative of Primerica Financial Services, located in Geneva, NY. **Melanie Ancin** Scott sends the message that her family is doing fine, hoping one or more of her four will go to Cornell one day. Spencer, 7, is into sailing, soccer, and Scouts. Katherine, 5, is partial to dancing and horseback riding. Tressa, 3-1/2, is pre-schooling it two days a week and does gymnastics. Brenton, 2, is home with mom most of the time and is an active little boy. Melanie is cur-

rently back in the office two days a week designing and reviewing architectural projects. Husband Peder is involved in several large subdivisions and commercial site planning projects in Danbury, CT, Upper Westchester, and Putnam County, NY. **Jeffrey Sandler** lives in Weston, CT, with wife **Roni Cohen-Sandler '77**. Jeffrey is a physician. **Thomas A. Mutryn**, B Arch '77, MS '79, MBA '83, was named senior vice-president, finance, and CFO of US Airways. Tom was a vice-president and treasurer at United Airlines for the past three years where he was responsible for the airline's overall corporate finance strategy, its capital market and aircraft financing activities, insurance programs, financial risk management activities, credit administration, revenue accounting, and cash management functions. Before this, he was vice-president, revenue management and director of financial analysis at United from 1989 to 1995. He held various positions at American Airlines from 1983 to 1989. Tom lives in Potomac, MD, with his wife and two children.

Pat M. Roth, BS HE '77, e-mailed me from Oakland, CA, where she is working as an ultrasonographer for Kaiser, the first and best of HMOs. She is single and still renting in the most INSANE and expensive real estate market in the country. Pat writes that she is in touch with a number of old Ithaca buddies, including **Jim Hahn '81 (Arts)**, **Kathi D. Fagin**, **Michael Port '85**, **Tom Seidner '74**, and, of course, her sister **Kathy Roth '73**, BS Ag '74. Besides enjoying her work, Pat maintains health and balance by walking in the Bay Area's parks, and by swimming daily. Pat writes: "I don't mean to sound vapidly 'new-age.' I have been surviving ovarian cancer for more than two years now. The gift of flexibility from my workplace, good medical care, and a good walk each day help me enjoy life, and keep me creative. So I look TOTALLY the same as I did as an undergrad, except I'm heavier, and have absolutely no hair due to chemo . . . no need to tweeze eyebrows any more. I obviously still have my sense of humor. My reason for sharing this news is that I strongly feel that people fear cancer so much. It is important for us to live our lives, and be visible, as SURVIVORS. I had few risk factors for Ovarian cancer. I have done well, because I have access to good medical care. I hope we may live in a world where our knowledge and technology will be accessible to all. That sounds like a corollary to the sentiments of the founders of our university. Will I be at our 25th Reunion? I plan to be well enough to dance all night. There's a challenge, and a message, to our other sisters and brothers who may be facing health problems. Well, how's that for an update? Best wishes to you and my old neighbors." Thanks for the perspective, Pat.

This past February, my husband **Don**, MBA '79, and I, along with our three growing sons Joel, Kenny, and Lloyd, ages 16, 14, and 11, respectively, (How did we get so old?!) made our annual trek up to Elmira, NY, where **C. J. "Joe" Pierce '75** (of "Pierce's of Elmira" restaurant fame) and his lovely wife **Debbie**, invite a crew to relive our college

days. There, we saw **Kathy Jones Brammell '77** and husband **Dan**. **Beth Wright-Seeley** and husband **Jim '75**, BS HE '76, JD '79, **Mark Dewey '75** and wife **Kim**, **Elsie Little Dentes '77** and husband **George Dentes**, JD '79. In from California were **Debbie Yelverton '74** and husband **John Schabowski '74**, ME E '75. We got a quick chance to say hi to **Pam J. Hannah '75**. A few of the regulars at this annual fete were missing, as family obligations called; we all know the drill.

Well that's all for now, folks! Keep in touch. ♦ **Karen Krinsky** Sussman, 29 Margaret Ct., Great Neck, NY 11024; e-mail, Krinsk54@aol.com; **Lisa Diamant**, 31 Ingle-side Rd., Lexington, MA 02420; **Pat Relf** Hanavan, 6301 Winding Lane, Richland, MI 49083; e-mail, relf@aol.com.



I have to admit it, I get a certain vicarious thrill when I get mail with an Ithaca address.

Despite the dreary grey winters and the all too frequent "Ithacation," I periodically fantasize about moving to Ithaca. The idea of living in a bucolic college town is very appealing. **Laurie Anne Robinson** (lar8@cornell.edu) stayed near my Finger Lake. She's been living in Ithaca and working for Cornell since graduation. She finds that living in Ithaca keeps her in contact with Cornell friends, some of whom have children who are now applying to Cornell. As she says, it seems we've entered a new phase of life. Her own son Jonathan Noel will enter in the fall with the Class of '03. He'll be a third-generation Cornellian (grandparents **Dwight R. '53** and **Margaret Blackburn Robinson '55**) and will be the sixth Cornellian on the Robinson side of the family, including aunts **Heidi Robinson Seitz '85** and **Holly Robinson Mitchell '89**.

Bob Paliotti also hales from Upstate New York; and although he's out of the country, his parents have written to update the class on his whereabouts. Bob has been away for over a year, visiting many countries, including Africa, Egypt, and Australia. He's seen Victoria Falls and the Serengeti Plain. Bob, we would love to hear about your travels when you return! We also heard that **Andrew Tarbox** (andy@thornebrook.com) is president of Thornebrook Assoc. in Troy, NY. Thornebrook fosters relationships between financial institutions and technology companies.

Now to our West Coast classmates. **Fred Stellato** (fritzaway@aol.com) owns a flower shop in Modesto. **John M. Rosenthal**, BA '78, MA '80, (jrosenthal@lillick.com) was re-elected chairperson of Lillick & Charles LLP, a 90-lawyer firm in San Francisco. John makes his home in Berkeley. Close by, **William Utic** (WUAU1@pgc.com) lives in Fremont, CA. Bill has been with Pacific Gas & Electric in San Francisco since completing graduate school at Harvard 20 years ago. He's director of building operations. Bill's wife, Dianne, has a busy medical practice in infectious diseases. Bill has been elected president of Acacia Fraternity's national foundation, which has given him a reason to travel and see Cornellians such

as **Mark Maltenfort** and **John C. "Chip" Brueckman '78**. **Jim "Wazoo" Weisenstein**, ME E '78, (weisenstein@msn.com) left Intel after 19 years to become a part-time "Angel Investor." Jim and a group of 20 other investors pool their resources to invest in early stage start-up ventures in Northern California. During his free time, he golfs and skis and spends more time with his family. Jim, his wife, and three daughters live in Scotts Valley, CA. This sounds like the kind of life I'm supposed to be leading! **Lydia Grypma** (lydia.m.grypma@kp.org) is in Coronado, CA. She describes the last year as "peaceful," if you can discount the ambient noise of sons Zack, 11, Matt, 9, and Cam, 6. Lydia and husband Bob both work for Kaiser Permanente in San Diego and find work satisfying and enjoyable. They travel a lot, but welcome visitors to beautiful Coronado!

Mark Petracca chairs the political science department at U. of California, Irvine, while wife **Terry (Schuster) '76** is an AVP of human resources with Beckman Coulter. In his spare time, Mark indulges his passion for gourmet cooking, and was recently featured in *The Orange County Register*. The article starts: "Maybe cooking talent is in the genes. After all, Mark Petracca's great-grandfather had a macaroni factory with this delicious slogan: 'Why eat meat that's fat and bony, eat Petracca's macaroni.'" Mark grew up in a diverse ethnic neighborhood in the Boston area and developed an appreciation for ethnic cooking. *The Register* quotes Mark as saying, "Growing up where there is lots of history, I was interested in how people lived." Thus began a collection of old cookbooks that provide a guide to daily life, including instructions on etiquette, daily activities such as laundry, and medicinal remedies. Mark is particularly intrigued by colonial recipes. Mark has found that since the article was published, he gets lots of calls from people asking for cooking advice. He writes regularly about politics in a variety of papers: *The Register*, *LA Times*, and a regular column titled "Man Bites Dogma," for the *OC Weekly*, a sister publication of *LA Weekly* owned by the *Village Voice*. Yet he is rarely approached by strangers in public to talk about politics. This suggests the rather unsurprising observation that Americans care more about food than they do about politics. For a good Thanksgiving side dish, you can get Mark's recipe for indian pudding by writing to him at (mppetrac@uci.edu).

Mark was a correspondent for this column for many years along with **Gilles Sion**. Gilles (gsion@sidley.com) also sent in news. He practices corporate law (primarily international merger and acquisitions) at Sidley and Austin in New York, where he's been for the past 17 years. He says, and this is really discouraging, that he can't remember what it was like doing anything else. Fortunately, he is reliving his elementary school years vicariously through his children Elliot, 10, Jakie, 8, and Jessica, 4. All three children attend Heschel School in New York City, where many of their classmates are children of Cornellians. **Howard Schechter** (hic@penop.com) is

CEO and president of PenOp Ltd., a software company based in New York and the United Kingdom. PenOp-patented technology is used in e-commerce and business solutions by providing a means for electronic handwritten signatures to enter electronic documents. In July 1998, **Michael Brizel**, JD '80, (mikebrizel@aol.com) was named vice-president and general counsel of The Reader's Digest Assn. Inc., based in Pleasantville, NY.

Mary Louise (Burke) (ljv@webtv.net) and **Lester Vincent '78** have a 1-year old daughter Isabelle Frances. Just a couple of months after Isabelle's birth, Mary and Lester bought a house in Palo Alto, CA, and they're settling in Silicon Valley. Mary had worked at Universal Studios in Los Angeles as vice-president of planning before relocating to Northern California. Mary also founded My Friend's Place, a center for homeless youths that helps them find and form productive lives off the streets.

Lots of partying went on in New Jersey this spring. **Dave** and **Karen Joseph** celebrated the bar mitzvah of their son Ben. Danielle Pauska, the daughter of **Alan Bauska '76**, BS Hotel '78, (deceased) and **Bonnie (Brief)** also received her bat mitzvah this spring. **Cheryl Nagel** Fialkoff also lives in New Jersey. She is a dermatologist living with husband Richard and 9-year old son Michael in Bridgewater. At the Jersey shore (ever notice that it's the "beach" everywhere else and the "shore" in New Jersey?), **John Lombardo** (jlombardo@oceanplace.com) is the general manager of the Ocean Place Conference Resort (formerly the Ocean Place Hilton) in Long Branch. The resort specializes in meetings and conferences and is undergoing a multi-million-dollar renovation. John says that Cornell grads should call (732) 571-4000 for reservations. (Does that mean we get a special rate?)

Carlos Maycotte (atascadero@redmer.com) is also in the hotel industry. He has worked at the Rancho Hotel Atascadero, a family-owned business, since graduating Cornell. Carlos is married to Suzanne, and they have children Carlos Alberto, 14, and Rodrigo, 12. Last summer the Maycotte family attended Adult University (CAU) and found it so rewarding that they are thinking of going again.

This final note is one I really enjoyed reading. It comes from **Paul Spina** (pauljspina@aol.com). He writes: "Is this a midlife crisis? In my 40s I've taken up a number of extreme sports: extreme skiing; closing in on my black belt in Tae Kwon Do; and stunt rollerblading. I thought it was supposed to be golf and a big belly. My wife is complaining, nay threatening to throw me out, because she can't keep up. But the kids love it. I can't wait to retire and really get active."

Please write about what you're up to!
♦ **Lorrie Panzer** Rudin, 14833 Botany Way, N. Potomac, MD 20878; e-mail, rudin@erols.com.



David S. Smith has finally settled in Livingston, NJ, with wife Marcy after having lived in California, Dallas, and Denver. David is working for Nabisco in research

and development. **Jay Carol Wilson** and husband **John Kuschner '77** have three children and live in Almaty, Kazakhstan. John works in the administration section of the US Embassy. They have lived in many interesting places over the past 15 years, including Beijing, Taipei, Hong Kong, Washington, DC, and Durham, NH. Jay has found work as a school psychologist in international and domestic schools throughout these changes in locality. **Mark Rust** resides in New Paltz, NY, with wife Theresa. He has written original music for a production of *The Rope* by Plautus. His latest CD is titled *Home Fires*, and he describes it as a "million cellar"—that is, he has a million of 'em in his cellar! **Stephen Pope** is also involved with music. He lives in Santa Barbara and does computer music research at the U. of California. He has two new CDs in the works.

Cynthia (Kubas) was married in January to Barry Odegaard at Kapalua, Maui. They were whisked by helicopter to their honeymoon cottage on the other side of the island. They live in Honolulu, where Cynthia works in pharmaceutical sales and serves on the board of directors for the Life Foundation, the local AIDS service organization. **Ken Mogil** reports that his mid-life crisis consisted of shaving off his moustache! He vacationed in Monte Carlo and Italy this year and is looking forward to spending the millennium in Vermont with his family. **Kathleen Raynor** Meschisen and husband Don live in Massachusetts with their children, David and Michael. Kathy manages an acoustic measurement lab at Hewlett Packard in the ultrasound division. She spends her free time on Cape Cod, where she enjoys boating and just being on the beach. **Robert Mathisen** moved back to northern California after nine years on the East Coast. He works for the Kinetics Group. He and wife Tracie have three children. **Michael Malgeri**, ME M '80, is feeling young again with the birth of his first child. Michael finally decided he wasn't going to make it to the NBA (at age 39), but hasn't given up hope trying to make the 2002 Salt Lake City Olympics in figure skating! I think he is only kidding and is content playing husband to wife Lisa and dad to his new baby. **Cindy Sweberg** Kleiman is still in charge of environmental health and safety for a medical center on Staten Island. She lives in New Jersey with husband Mark and two children. **Paula Boyer** Kennedy, MBA '80, thought the Class of 1978 news form questionnaire was "odd," but jotted down a few notes anyway. She is a senior manager in the Minneapolis office of Ernst and Young, LLP. She commutes to New Jersey on weekends until her "trailing spouse" Joe gets a job in the same geographic area.

Martin Hummel has lived in London for the past ten years with wife Leslie and their two daughters. He is looking forward to making it to our 25th Reunion. **Sayre N. Greenfield** has had two books published in the last year. He is at the U. of Pittsburgh at Greensburg and received tenure this past

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spring. His wife, Linda V. Troost, co-edited one of his books with him. **Andrew S. Gabriel** has followed two career paths. After receiving an MBA from UCLA in 1980, he worked for Harrah's Casinos in Reno. He then earned a law degree from UCLA in 1988. Andrew practiced law for seven years, and re-joined Harrah's in 1995. He worked at various locales (Memphis, St. Louis, and Kansas City) until this year. Andrew moved back to Nevada and joined a large law firm in Las Vegas, where he has resumed the practice of law. He is married to Beth and they have daughters Natalie, 5, and Julia, 3. He has seen **Carlton Geer '76**, BS Hotel '77, and **Walter Milani**. As are many of our classmates, Andrew is looking forward to attending our 25th Reunion.

Melinda M. Dower lives in New Jersey. Although she is still working in the environmental field, she promises to change careers just as soon as "we prevent all the pollution." She traveled to South America (Brazil and Peru) to train her South American colleagues in "cleaner production" (i.e., how to make stuff and pollute less). Melinda spends the rest of her time as an "all-sports" Mom. Her 10-year-old son Travis is a great little hockey player (just like Mom), and Melinda has started coaching his team. Her daughter Arielle enjoys soccer and softball. She keeps in touch with **Pat A. Reilly**, **Athena Jamesson**, JD '88, **Linda M. Bruckner**, and **Rivki A. Beer**. **Angela "Archangela" DeSilva** is hoping for a wild mid-life crisis soon! In the meantime, she continues to have fun traveling with her family. They have gone to NYC and Hawaii this past year.

Meg Garrett Beutel has been through two career changes. She was a home economist for Thomas J. Lipton, then was a freelance writer for six years, contributing to cookbooks and web site pages for food companies, and now owns and operates a day-care business. She is busy raising three sons (and a husband, she says)! Meg would like to write a children's cookbook someday, and like the rest of us, be independently wealthy! ♦ **Pepi F. Leids**, 7021 Boot Jack Rd., Bath, NY 14810; e-mail, Pleids@aol.com; and **Eileen Brill** Wagner, 4649 W. Carla Vista Dr., Chandler, AZ 85226; e-mail, brillcon@aol.com.



Greetings to all '81 classmates. How was your summer? It's hard to believe that fall is just around the corner. Here in the Boston area, the LaShoto Family—Kip, James, 7, MaryAnn, 5, and I (**Kathy Philbin**)—had an action-packed summer vacation. We did it all: two fabulous weeks at Cape Cod; many movie debuts, including *Star Wars*, *Tarzan*, and *Inspector Gadget*; daily trips to our local pool; weekends with Nana and Papa at their beach house in Marshfield; tours of Water Country and Water Wiz; two weeks at summer camp (for which I will be forever grateful); and our tenth wedding anniversary and 40th birthday extravaganza!

My latest hobby these days is investor trading online. I'm sure many of you are doing it as well. What fun, but how addictive! We re-

cently opened a Discover Brokerage account and have been educating ourselves on the stock market using the Internet, CNBC, and business publications. Our favorite stock is CMGI, an Internet incubator based here in Andover, MA. Check it out. The Internet is truly a phenomenon—the new revolution. I'll let you know when I make my first million!

We, your faithful class correspondents, are anxiously awaiting the return of your News & Dues forms. Please take some time from your busy schedules to update us on your life. Do you have a new job? New baby? New interest? New e-mail address or web page? Have you seen other Cornellians recently? What's the coolest thing about being 40? Send us an e-mail to let us know what's new and exciting with you.

Here's the most recent news we have to print. **Mynn Scanlan** Paige is currently living in Denmark with husband Mark and sons Spencer, 5, and Philip, 2. In Portland, OR, **Sarah Paulson** Nevue was recently named assistant dean for external affairs for Northwestern School of Law at Lewis & Clark College. Sarah's previous position was director of development for the Oregon Symphony Assn. Living in Riverdale, NY, **Elizabeth Jane Albert** Hubbard took a new job teaching biology in January 1998. **Cheryl Spinner** Kravatz, BS Ag '84, is busy raising sons Nigel, 2, and Maxwell, 1, in her family's new home in Scarsdale, NY.

We have lots of classmates in New Jersey. **Hugh Connolly '80**, BArch '81, AIA, NCARB, recently joined The Hillier Group Architects in Princeton as a project architect/designer for Hillier's hospitality studio. Hugh is a member of the project team working on the Holiday Inn Express in Rockaway, NJ. Before joining Hillier, Hugh worked on projects for the Lambertville House, an historic hotel in Lambertville, and the popular nightclub Kat Man Du in Trenton, for which his firm won two Downtown New Jersey Awards. **Linda Koski** Gevers and husband Neil reside in Princeton Junction with their daughters Kristen, 7, Jessica, 3, and Ashley, 2. Linda writes that she is looking forward to seeing Cornell play Princeton in football this fall in Princeton's new stadium. In Pittstown, **Phil DiLernia** and wife Susan are enjoying life with their sons David, 12, and Daniel, 9. Phil still plays baseball, coaches his sons' teams, has coached at the college level, and owns Cornell Healthcare Corp. Phil writes that he really enjoys time spent with friends **Brian Fabian** and **Tom Dyeovich**. In Short Hills, **Marci Shapiro** Silbert and husband Graeme are busy raising Cailley, 3, and Sophie, 2. After living in Sydney, Australia, and experiencing four moves, the Silberts hope to call Short Hills home for a long time! Also in New Jersey is **Sheryl Leff**-Ring, a diagnostic radiologist in Watchung. Sheryl and her husband Dr. Kenneth Ring recently celebrated their 12th anniversary with children Zachary, 8, and Jason, 5.

"All is well," writes Ithaca resident **Barbara Minor** Headrick, MBA '89, who married a Cornell scientist five years ago. (How lucky is she to be living in gorgeous Ithaca, es-

pecially this time of year?!) After working for Mobil Oil for eight years, Barbara joined Corning Inc. in a new assignment as international business development manager. In Chevy Chase, MD, **Ellen Tohn** and husband John Harper are busy with sons Daniel, 8,

time has gone by."—**Amy Brown** Giles (Amy Brown-Giles@citicorp.com). "The preconceived notions people have about how a 39-year-old 'should' look, feel, and act."—Dr. **Urania T.** "Ronnie" **Poulis**, BA '87, (upoulis@cnr.edu). "More gray hair and

“What's the coolest thing about being 40?”

— KATHY PHILBIN LASHOTO '81

Seth, 6, and Jeremy, 3. Ellen has been operating her own environmental consulting business for the past six years. With a special focus on lead poisoning prevention, she provides assistance to nonprofit, state, and federal clients. Even with her busy schedule, Ellen still pursues outdoor activities, including hiking, cycling, and camping with the kids in tow. **Jennifer S. Pressman** lives in Baltimore with her partner Deborah Ptak and their children Emily, 5, and Joshua, 2. Focusing on health fraud issues, Jennifer works in the consumer protection division of the Maryland Office of the Attorney General.

That's all for now, folks! Please drop us a line and enjoy the beautiful fall. Note my new e-mail address. ♦ **Kathy Philbin** LaShoto, 114 Harrington Rd., Waltham, MA 02452; tel., (781) 899-5431; e-mail, kpl3853@ne.mediaone.net; **Jennifer Read** Campbell, 14824 Hunting Path Pl., Centreville, VA, 20120-1230; e-mail, RonJenCam@aol.com; and **Betsy Silverfine**, 1601 Third Ave., #4E, NYC, 10128-3452; tel., (212) 534-3922; e-mail, bsilverfine@brownraysman.com.



Greetings, Classmates. I am so embarrassed. Here I am asking all of you for your "pushing 40 markers," you all send great answers, and then I completely mix up the publication deadlines. I apologize for the omission of our July/August column. This article is double-length to make up for lost time, and we now have a system in place to keep things better tracked. Reading your thoughts about our upcoming new decade were certainly a great way to pass a Saturday morning! Here are your answers to our question about turning 39.

What is your least favorite thing about turning 39? "Life is almost half over"—**Wu Ching Cheng** (wuching@aol.com). "40 is just around the corner."—**Julie DeSimone** Conner (Julie@healthyweighs.com). "The gray hair."—**Joe Molloy** (JFRMOLLOY@aol.com). "That it's getting too late for more children!"—**Jennifer Jorgensen** Dempsey, BA '81, (jdempsey@thermo.com). "Never getting carded anymore."—**Paul S. Weisman**, MD. "I wish I knew what I know now when I was in my 20s, but if I could go back and tell myself. I probably would not listen."—**Michael Haushalter** (flahaus@aol.com). "I will miss being less than middle-aged!"—**Robert Kalish**, MD '86. "Realizing how much time I've lived and how much

wrinkles."—**Janet Harman** Sooch (janet sooch@jump.net). "Really feeling my joints and muscles after doing something unusual, like construction."—**John M. Pisacane** (JMPDMP@aol.com). "The gray!"—**Joseph A.** "Jay" **Grzyb**. BS Eng '81, ME CH '82, (jaygrzyb@aol.com). "Not being dead."—**Clifford R. Feldman** (SUGARGOOCH@aol.com). "The babysitters could be my children. Soon it will be the schoolteachers!"—**Sarina Monast** Bronfin (Bronfin@aol.com). "Shorter of breath, one day closer to death."—**Neil Fidelman Best** (NBEST@earthlink.net). "Those knees aren't what they used to be!"—**Natalia A. Wilson**, MD. "Hearing more of my favorite songs being played on 'oldies' stations!"—**Phil L. Chao** (pchao@oc.fda.gov).

What is your favorite thing about turning 39? "Having two great kids and a fabulous career working on behalf of our future national security."—**Patricia Morrissey** Barwinczak (patricia.m.barwinczak@cpm.saic.com). "I like knowing that I've accomplished everything I intended. The rest can be just for me!"—**Lisa A. Bloch** (lab@va.pubnix.com). "Being established in family life, Christian ministry, and work. I am still able to run a few miles."—**Wu Ching Cheng**. "That my hair isn't completely gray; that I still have hair!"—**Michael S. Marks** (marks@m.med.upenn.edu). "Graduating with my master of physical therapy degree from the College of St. Catherine in Minneapolis!"—**Bethana** "Thana" **Connell** Ross (110724.21@compuserve.com). "That I was born in 1961 and don't have to think about this for a year!"—**Joel M. Simon**, JD '85, (Nelldog@globalnet.co.uk). "I am wiser and more mellow in my old age."—**Jennifer Jorgensen** Dempsey. "I can still tell people I am in my 30s"—**Paul S. Weisman**, MD. "No one thinks I am that old."—**H. Michele Brantle** Rogat, BS Ag '83, (rogatmh@state.gov). "Having watched a friend leave a wife and two small children after dying of cancer at age 31, my favorite thing about turning 39 is being alive to do it (and enjoying my cake with my children)."—**Aimee Evers** Kane. "I'll never be this young again!"—**Barbara Griggs**-Pratt, BS HE '83, (stap@ezaccess.net). "Onwards and upwards, the species must evolve!"—**Alan S. Hoffman**, BA '84, (missiong@aol.com). "I am much more secure and content these days!"—Dr. **Urania** "Ronnie" **T. Poulis**. "I am loving every minute of it!"—**Charles**

Stuppard, BS Eng '83, (els27@cornell.edu). "I am relieved to note that one can start a new, exciting, wonderful life despite the approach of 40."—**Katherine "Kitty" Yates** Edwinston (gedwinston@aol.com). "Not being dead."—**Clifford R. Feldman**. "Visiting Cornell and seeing that some things had not changed in 20 years, i.e., Ruloff's and the first floor men's room in Willard Straight."—**Tim**

Yoshiki Shimada (Zoe Amane, #1); Joel Simon (Josephine Rose, #1); **Earle L. Weaver**, ME M '83, MBA '84, (earle1@aol.com) (Thomas, #2); **James D. "Jamie" Zahringer** (ZAHRINGER@aol.com) (William Kress Zahringer, #3); **Mitchell H. Rubenstein** (mrubinst@nysutmail.org), (Linda, #2); Michelle Brantle Rogat (twins Naomi Cerella and Carsten Alexander, #s 1-a and 1-b);

Schoenberger is living in Virginia with husband **Doug, ME OR '82**, and daughter Emma, and has the horses and all the other animals that go with country living.

Nancy DuBoise (nancy_duboise@ham.honda.com) and her family relocated from Philadelphia to Columbus, OH, so that she could accept a job as assistant counsel for Honda of America Manufacturing, Inc. **Karen "Sue" Gochman** Abrahams (Karen.Abrahams@wl.com) is having an "intense" year at Warner Lambert in Randolph, NJ, where she is in the final phase of a 2-1/2 year project to implement PeopleSoft HR, benefits, payroll, and pension software. She has just moved from a role in the information systems organization to being the payroll manager. **Van L. Bicknell**, MS '84 (bicknellvl@corning.com) writes from Painted Post, NY, where he manages a prototype line for ceramic substrates that go into automotive catalytic converters. He and wife **Gayle (Moncrief) '83**, MBA '84, are busy with three lovely girls.

S. Margaret "Maggie" Paik (bablacker@pol.net) is pediatric emergency medicine physician at the U. of Chicago. She is married to **Bruce A. Blacker '79** and has two children. Joel Simon relocated with his family to run the London office of his law firm, Paul, Hastings, Janofsky, and Walker. **Dan Troup** (trouper2@msn.com) writes from Pittsford, NY, that he is married, has two children, and is national sales manager for Xerox Corp. **David Ilan Weis** (diw3@cornell.edu), owner of the Beacon Hill Athletic Clubs, is planning to open his fourth facility on the Boston waterfront.

Charles W. Krell (uribras@originet.com.br) writes from Brazil, "the January-March economic turmoil certainly made life exciting, but all is well now." Charles Stuppard (cls27@cornell.edu) makes his home in Virginia Beach, VA, when he is not working on the Navy ship USS *Nicholas* (FFG-47) as executive officer. Phil Chao still works for the Food and Drug Administration. He usually handles regulatory issues, which recently included helping to write important regulations dealing with "mad cow" disease and animal feed, and the export of unapproved drugs and devices. Rob Young works as executive director of Sustainable Development for the Whitman Administration in New Jersey. He recently traveled to Brazil and Haiti for meetings about the global environmental crisis.

Are you a movie fan? **Tracy A. Stone** (tstone@loop.com) runs her own architectural business out of her home in Echo Park, Los Angeles. An upcoming film, tentatively titled, "Monkeybone," starring Brendan Fraser and Bridget Fonda, will be filmed in the house.

Lynn Stefanowicz of Asbury Park, NJ, is director of two outpatient behavioral healthcare centers for The Carrier Foundation in Monmouth. She has been married for 17 years to the Rev. David Hermanson (Haverford '86), whom she met as a field placement student while in her psychopathology class. He was a staff member at the agency where she interned for the class. They have one son. **Colleen A. Brennan** (colleen.brennan@occ.treas.gov) works for the US Treasury Dept. as

"The details of most of my freshman year are so embarrassing I probably won't be ready to give details until the 40th anniversary."

— STEVE ELIAS '83

McCausland (tennanah@wpe.com). "Still being a 'thirty-something!'"—**Cynthia Schillinger** Rochford (rdrcsr@frontiernet.net). "Receiving my dream sports car from my husband as a mid-life crisis present (a red Porsche 911)."—Janet Haman Sooch. "While I've had a great life so far, the best is yet to come."—**Annemarie Bridgeman** DeMarco, BS HE '83, (ademarco@att.com). "Realizing I'm still breathing and functioning perfectly well (within acceptable norms, anyway)."—**Al Cowger** (ALCOWGER@aol.com). "I am now old enough to not have to make excuses for why I don't want to do things which will hurt later!"—**Tom Soriano** (TFSORIANO@aol.com). "Having a baby daughter."—Natalia A. Wilson, MD. "Thirty-nine is just an artificial subdivision of the further artificial construct which our culture has labeled 'time'"—**Rob F. Young**, MRP '96, (ceeyoun@commerce.state.nj.us). For me, one of the fun parts of writing about our soon-to-be-40-something is announcing "firsts" and honors that only come with putting in 30-something years of time on planet Earth.

Class newlyweds include: Barbara Griggs-Pratt (stanp@ezaccess.net), who married Stanton Pratt and now has three children by marriage; Katherine "Kitty" Yates Edwinston, who reports that her new blended family of five children is beginning to feel as "if they are all ours"; and **Leah (Edelstein)**, who married Emil Bramson and took a "fantastic" honeymoon to Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji. **Lorraine Aronowitz** writes: "Wedding bells rang in Miami in November for **David E. Block** and his lovely bride, Ellen Bryan. The wedding party included: **Steven Hochberg '81**, **Reginald Stack Evans**, and **Michael Casella**. Happy wedding guests included: **Chris Hanson**, **Adam Williams**, BA '84, BS Eng '84, **Jim M. Anderson**, and **Nancy F. DuBoise**. A great time was had by all at the hotel showcased during the wedding scene in the Robert DeNiro and Billy Crystal film, *Analyze This*."

New parents include: Michael S. Marks (He clarifies that this is his first human child.); Joe Molloy (Rachel, #2, currently 2-1/2);

Brooke Hines Scherlie, DVM '91 (HAMST@aol.com) (#3); **Michele Riess** (Nicole, #1); **Megan Terwilliger** Zaravellas, M ED '88 (Natalie); **Dawn Crismon** Amos, BA '80 (Dawn.Amos@sas.com) (Marlena, #3); Clifford R. Feldman (Sam, #2); Sarina Monast Bronfin (Natalie Rose Bronfin, #3), Natalia Wilson, MD (Lara, #1); **Julie L. Vargo** (JLV669@aol.com) (Graham Michael, #1); and **Peggy A. Nelson** (alnepgnaz@worldnet.att.net) (Bryce, #1). A tip for new and upcoming parents: Peggy says that humming the "Alma Mater" is a great lullaby!

Nathan L. Rudgers was named commissioner of the NY State Dept. of Agriculture and Markets in June. This involved a nomination by the governor, approval by the senate agriculture and finance committees, and finally a full senate vote. The vote was unanimous and the final bipartisan vote involved Senate Majority Leader Joseph L. Bruno making the motion and seven other senators, including Senate Minority Leader William T. Stachowski, seconding the motion. Nate is possibly the youngest agricultural commissioner in the country, the youngest commissioner in NY State, and perhaps the youngest New York Agricultural Commissioner ever. His wife, **Nancy (Boyle)**, reports she is busy "doing the Mom thing" with the three kids and showing the family's two Labradors.

You may have seen this in another publication, but it deserves special attention in our own column. "In honor of the Silver Anniversary Celebration of Ivy League women's championship competition, Cornell has selected 30 former athletes to be included in the league honor roll." Among those honored is **Doriane Lambelet** Coleman, a runner.

Donna M. Regii (SlangBetty@aol.com) must have known I was working on a column; she called me out of the blue to catch up after several years of being out of touch. She owns a boutique, Slang Betty, in the Park Slope neighborhood of Brooklyn. Those of you who know this Cornellian's creative abilities can attest to the fact that a shop owned by Donna is sure to be a haven for unique holiday shopping. She reports that **Kelly Morrissey**

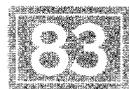
special assistant to the chief of staff of the Comptroller of the Currency, the agency which supervises the operation of national banks.

And now for some housekeeping items from your class officers. We are looking for photos for our web page. Contributions from all stages of our Cornell ties (as students, from a reunion, or a recent '82er gathering like a wedding) are welcome. People, places, and dates should be identified whenever possible. Currently, the only photo posted in our class photo album is of our group photo at our 15th Reunion. Would be nice to have some VISIBLE faces in our photo album! Photos should be sent to: Nancy Boyle Rudgers, 9 Skaaland Dr., Burnt Hills, NY 12027.

If you would like to register your e-mail addresses in our class directory, send them to Nancy Boyle Rudgers (snuggly@prodigy.net). Our website can be found at <http://www.alumni.cornell.edu/orgs/classes/1982>. This is worth a visit just to see some of the handles your classmates go by in cyberspace! **Terry Kilmer** Oosterom (Cornelltko@aol.com) will again hold a tailgate at Homecoming, and all are welcome.

Elizabeth Aksionoff Salshutz of Scarsdale, NY, (EAksionoff@aol.com) had the day off when her Class of '82 newsletter arrived on April 12. So she pulled out her 1982 *Cornellian* to stroll down memory lane, and correctly identified our four classmates pictured on the newsletter's envelope. They are **Arden L. Sargeant**, **Hsi-Chen Yen**, **Cheryl F. Dresner**, and Timothy McCausland. For her afternoon of fun, we'll send Liz a CD of the Cornell Chimes playing some of the traditional Cornell songs we all know and love. She writes, "I'm sure my girls (4 and 6-years-old) will get a kick out of this, especially since Emily fondly remembers our last trip to Cornell for reunion (Or is it the pool at the hotel that she fondly remembers?)."

That's it for this issue. Stay tuned for the next column, when we share the most unusual places you have ever met a Cornellian! ♦ **Monika Woolsey**, PO Box 11985, Glendale, AZ 85318; e-mail, azmoni@aol.com.



It is autumn in Utah, hot and dry and a bit too different from fall in Ithaca to suit me sometimes. I am nostalgic. This month marks the 20th anniversary of our first month of college. To honor this important anniversary I've asked some classmates to augment their regular news with memories from the fall of 1979. Thanks to all who wrote in, a whopping 82 percent, via e-mail.

Steve Elias, ME E '84, lives in New Hampshire with wife Kristin, a 5-year-old son, and a 2-year-old daughter. He is a technical leader at Cisco Systems in Chelmsford, MA. He writes: "The details of most of my freshman year are so embarrassing I probably won't be ready to give details until the 40th anniversary, should I be so blessed to be alive and cogent at that time. In the meantime if you are really curious, Cornell Safety might still have records of some of my antics. My roommate that year was the esteemed **Scott K. Miller**. I

wonder where he and **Neil Donovan** are nowadays?" Steve also remembers the "50-keg parties," and the canceled Pretenders concert and the resulting "mud bowl."

Miriam Barasch Fleming is practicing commercial and health-care administrative litigation. She lives in Milwaukee, WI, with husband Michael, where they keep busy renovating their home (built in 1905). She is vice president of the Cornell Club of Wisconsin and would love to have more alums join them. Contact Miriam at mfl Fleming@mbf-law.com. "Let's see, memories from '79. I still remember waking up on West Campus in the Baker dorms on the first day of classes and hearing the bells playing that first concert; it felt like I was being welcomed into something timeless, and indeed I was!" **Scott Boltwood** is finishing his third year in the English department of Emory & Henry College, where he was voted Teacher of the Year by the faculty. He teaches contemporary British literature and is working on a study of Brian Friel's plays and spent the summer of 1998 as a Visiting Fellow at the U. of Ulster in Northern Ireland. He writes: "I'm married to Mary Bell, a nurse who runs a health-delivery program for Hispanophone migrants in southwest Virginia. I would love to hear from my Cornell friends who have eluded me."

Mary Jane Curry is in the final year of her PhD in curriculum and instruction at the U. of Wisconsin-Madison, where she has received the Distinguished Graduate Fellowship for 1999-2000. She has taught English as a Second Language at UW and in Boston and Costa Rica. She recently completed a term as co-president of the Teaching Assistants' Assn., the labor union that represents TAs at UW. When asked what she remembers from the fall of 1979, Mary Jane answered, "Did it really rain every Friday? I remember that and playing lacrosse in the Baker courtyard!"

Jane Mosey Nicoletta has been working as an outside sales rep for West Group legal publishers but is considering new opportunities after taking the summer off. Her husband, Mike, works at Standard Mutual Insurance Co. Jane is in touch with **Alyssa Bickler** Guelzow and writes that Alyssa celebrated the first birthday of daughter Alexandra Pauline in July. Jane also added: "Alyssa recently sent me pictures of Alex, and I can testify that Alex has that mischievous gleam in her eyes we all know and love in Alyssa. No doubt she'll be a fitness nut just like her mom and dad." Alyssa is a certified personal fitness trainer and lives in Raleigh, NC, with husband John and stepson, 12. Alyssa wrote, "In the fall of 1979 (20 years ago!) I remember orientation week very well.

Megon Phillips, who married **Jim Aesch** '80 and lives near Albany, and I went down to the U-Halls one evening and ended up having a private, impromptu serenade by The Hangovers. They sang songs like 'Facetime,' which became part of our new vocabulary along with words like 'keg parties,' 'all-nighters,' 'frat parties,' and 'rush.' The other big thing was going from being a fairly large academic fish in a small pond to being a comparatively stupid guppy in a very large ocean."

Since Reunion, the family of **Jeff Dallas**, MBA '91, has added a new member, Robert Bradley Dallas. Bradley came to them on Mar. 23, '99, at a whopping nine pounds, three ounces. The Dallas family, including Jeffrey Jr., 2, lives in Stamford, CT. Jeff writes that there are quite a few other Hoteliers and classmates who have made their way out to their neck of the woods. They include: **Tom Felderman** '82, who is working at the Plaza Hotel in New York City; **Eric Bass** '82, Shrager Hotels; **Steve R. Goldman**, Starwood Hotels and Resorts, and Jeff's freshman year roommate **Jesse Hammerman**, who is running his own business. From the fall of 1979, Jeff best remembers meeting **A. Paul March** for the first time. "Here was this kid (me) from Missouri walking into the room of someone from boarding school who had a couch, tapestries, a hammock, and several late '70s 'party accessories.' I said to myself, 'I need to hang with this guy,' and we still do to this day." Jeff reports, "Paul finally got married to Sallie Menzies in September 1998. I had the pleasure of being best man at the wedding and returning the favor that Paul did for me as best man at my wedding. **Bob Stelletello** also attended."

David and Cindy Rosenberg Cohen live in West Bloomfield, MI. David reported: "Our kids Jill, 8, and Evan, 5, are already working on their Cornell early applications. I have recently visited **Eric Geismar** in Los Angeles. Eric, his wife, and two girls are doing great." Cindy is working part-time doing project development for Children's Hospital in Cincinnati; she telecommutes and travels to Ohio monthly. David is working for Procter and Gamble's team that sells to K-Mart. David writes: "Although my memories of Fall '79 are dimming a bit, one key memory was the walk from West Campus to the gorge to sun and swim. What a great start to school; it was short-lived as classes got going and fall turned quickly to winter."

David Corsun, MS '96, sent e-mail: "After more than a decade away from Cornell I returned in the fall of 1993 to begin a PhD. in organizational behavior at the Hotel school, which I completed in March of this year. In my second year I met **Cheri Young**, Grad '94-'95, who is now my wife. We spent the last year teaching in the College of Business at Washington State U. and are now on the faculty at UNLV."

Anna Esaki-Smith writes: "Hard to believe that freshman year began 20 years ago! How old are we anyhow?" She continues: "I've been living in Shanghai for the past two years and was in Hong Kong for four years before that. I'm currently the Shanghai correspondent for *Newsweek* magazine, and in April my first novel, *Meeting Luciano*, was published in the US by Algonquin Books. My husband, Craig Smith, is the Shanghai bureau chief for the *Wall Street Journal*. I have sons Sky, 4-1/2, and True, 2. Recollections about freshman year: Playing a lot of Frisbee in the dustbowl, 'studying' in the fishbowl, hanging out with a motley crew in Sperry, dancing outdoors, and making meals out of boxes of wheat thins. Now that I think about it, that all seems like

even more than 20 years ago."

Bill Gehm lives in Lisle, NY, with wife Kathy, daughters Krista and Kayla, and son Matthew. He is a lead engineer for Lockheed Martin in Johnson City, NY, working on an engine control for the new Boeing 717 aircraft. He mentions: "I am also growing a manufacturing company with a partner. The company makes equipment for dairy applications. I have a patent on one of the products with patents pending on another." Good luck, Bill! ❖ **Jennifer Hughes Kern**, 1882 Yuma St., Salt Lake City, UT 84108; e-mail, jenniferkern@juno.com; and **Scott and Patty Palmer Dulman**, 109 N. Liberty St., Arlington, VA 22203; e-mail, bigascii@ibm.net.



In contemplation of the upcoming Reunion 2000, here is a brief compilation of some of the events and memories from our days on the Hill.

When we arrived at Cornell, we were excited about the prospect of being on our own and making our own decisions. Our first major decision, choosing the right classes at registration, would affect us for the rest of the semester. As freshmen, our choices were limited by prerequisites such as two Freshman Writing Seminars and the "101" classes, so it came down to arranging a schedule that would not require us to sprint across campus at the crack of dawn to get to our first class. Some of us were unsuccessful in this quest, settling for biology on the Ag Quad first thing in the morning.

Many of us chose to be fed by co-op dining, as it was convenient, and more importantly, provided an opportunity to begin mastering the art of getting "facetime." We discovered that Noyes and NCU (later RPU) could offer more than just co-op dining, as it also had Noyes Pub and The Thirsty Bear. A bar only steps away from our dorms, how convenient! Noyes and RPU also provided us with a place to burn off steam or just plain procrastinate, with its game rooms featuring pool tables, Pacman, Asteroids, and the like.

Our first Fun in the Sun felt a little bit like a circus, but we were the performers. We water jousted, wrestled in the mud, and were tossed into the air by complete strangers. We were invited to partake in the festivities of Big Red football by the beckoning chants of "Freshmen on the field!" Everyone was making us feel welcomed.

Cornell made it easy for us to get to know one another by providing us with the New Student Record, also known as the "Pig Book." Can't remember the name of that cute guy or girl you met at lunch? Look for his or her picture in the New Student Record. The women of the class began getting invitations to parties from upperclassmen that they had never even met, thanks to this handy book.

We were rudely awakened from our happy, dreamlike state, however, when prelims approached. What do you mean 50 percent of my grade is riding on this test? At that point, the regular stress-relieving activities were not working anymore, so we resorted to the ritual of the "primal scream." Most of us made it

through prelims without permanent scarring, and proceeded with campus and dorm life. We danced and sang to songs such as Kool & The Gang's "Celebration," Hall & Oates's "Kiss is on My List," and .38 Special's "Hold on Loosely." We feasted on Straight Break chocolate chip cookies in the Ivy Room, PMPs and Sueys from the Hot Truck, subs from Louie's Lunch Truck, and Collegetown Bagels. We joined clubs and sports teams, rushed fraternities and sororities, and listened to concerts at Bailey Hall. We cheered on the Green Dragon and jeered at Haaavahd. Then, all of a sudden, the year was over and we had to go home, but wasn't Cornell our home?

We returned to Cornell for our sophomore year with greater wisdom and confidence. Some of us moved into fraternity and sorority houses, others into apartments in Collegetown, and still others remained dorm dwellers. It was a time to forge new friendships, while retaining the ones from the year before. We took jobs to defray expenses, became ambassadors for our colleges, and volunteered our time for charities. We took elective classes outside of the college in which we were enrolled and began to think about our major. We also thought about taking a gym class to satisfy the physical education requirement for graduation, but decided to wait until the next year. Cornell offered so many choices, like bowling, water polo, gymnastics, golf, and horseback riding, that it was just too hard to pick a class.

New York State raised the drinking age to 19, but that did not put a damper on our fun. We serenaded all of the Jennifers we knew with Tommy Tutone's hit "867-5309 (Jenny)," much to their dismay. We camped out at Lynah Rink for season hockey tickets and did not even seem to notice the cold, hard floor onto which we collapsed at about dawn. We laughed and cried during the final episode of "M*A*S*H." We read the *Cornell Daily Sun* religiously, starting of course, with the personals, in order to find out about the upcoming parties, seek romance, or just to see our names in print.

For many of us, junior year was a time to leave campus. We studied abroad, participated in the Cornell-in-Washington program, and interned at a corporation for Engineering Coop. Those of us who remained on the Hill "studied" in such places as the Disco or Cocktail Lounge, or the Fishbowl in Uris Library, and Mann Library, and barricaded ourselves before prelims and finals, in the Olin, Uris, and Carpenter stacks.

We kept in touch with the events of the times and those of the past by listening to guest speakers such as presidential candidate George McGovern, Black Panther leader Eldridge Cleaver, and prosecutor Vincent Bugliosi. We were entertained by REO Speedwagon, Spiro Gyra, and the B-52s, as well as our own singing groups, such as The Hangovers, Nothing But Treble, Cayuga's Waiters, and Class Notes. Michael Jackson had a string of hit songs, and inspired by the colors of Cornell,

created the great fashion craze of the red leather jacket and glitter glove.

The United States invaded Grenada and sent Marines to Lebanon. The campus group South African Divestment Coalition (SADC) put pressure on the Cornell administration to divest from corporations that did business in South Africa. The proposed tuition hike of 18 percent also caused much protest. Less serious debates included who was the "Ugliest Man on Campus" (Big Red Band Tubas), and the intellectual discourse occurring at the Temple of Zeus.

We enjoyed "Mardi Gras" at RPU, danced and gambled at Victory Club, and watched the Cornell Theater productions of *The Crucible* and *Our Town*. Some of us ventured to warmer climes for Spring Break, bringing our Cornell spirit with us. Of course, we couldn't help but notice the stark difference between strolling along the "Strip" in Ft. Lauderdale, and taking the Blue Light Bus home during a snowstorm. We transformed ourselves into politicians, fanciful creatures, and outright outrageous characters for Phi Psi 500.

We finally made it to senior year! Now we could relax, or not? Job searches, resumes, interviews, GMATs, MCATs, LSATs, and GREs were all looming. Decked out in the latest fashion fad, stone washed jeans, and drinking New Coke (soon to be replaced by original Coke), we were ready to take it all on, and have our fun. Cornell had purchased all of those Macintosh computers, so now our lives would be much easier. If we only knew then how our lives would be changed because of computers.

We took classes like Human Sexuality and Wine Tasting, played Trivial Pursuit, and used phrases like "Where's the beef?" and "For sure." We danced and partied at the Haunt and North Forty. We cheered for Big Red Football's Drive for Five! Deciding that once in four years was not enough, we swarmed Schoellkopf for "Seniors on the Field!" We swore off Tylenol because of the cyanide scare. The Libe Slope party put us in the mood for Senior Week, or vice versa. The next thing we knew, June 2, 1985, had arrived and it was time to graduate. Even though the "Ithacation" over the years had prepared us for the worst, we were blessed on our "big" day with bright sunshine. After graduation, we packed up our cars with Cornelliana and fond memories, and headed in all different directions.

There is so much more to remember than what has been written in this small space. Share your memories and get back in touch with your fellow classmates in the class column and at Reunion 2000. ❖ **Lisa M. Bluestein**, 5 Sun Valley Hgts Rd., N. Salem, NY 10560; e-mail, lawfoot@aol.com; and **Linda Mesinger** Manos, DVM, 3550 S. Jason St., Englewood, CO 80110; e-mail, LMMderm@aol.com.



It really is a small World Wide Web. Last year, a woman named Hollis finds my fledgling web communications company online, and, after discovering we

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think and work very much alike, we ace a project together. About two dozen e-mails and many months later, I discover she went to Cornell also, where most people, especially her Sigma Delta Tau sisters, knew her as **Stephanie "Holly" Thomases, MBA '87**. Her new company, the Baltimore-based Web Advantage (www.webadvantage.net), offers online and offline web marketing and promotions strategies to businesses. She started it after leaving a 10-year career in sales and marketing in food services industry businesses "and screwing up enough courage to pursue my lifelong dream of entrepreneurship." She sends her hellos and "a shout out to my big brother and best buddy," **Edward C. "Ted" Pope**.

And speaking of the Net, I invite you to tell me about your own on-line endeavors. I'm sure there are a lot more of us doing web-based work, and this is a great place to share your URLs. I'm designing sites and doing some Internet marketing as well, as The WebLinks Company, at www.weblinksco.com. What are you doing on the web?

As for other daring adventures, sailors **Mike Ingham** and **Erik Goethert '89** have embarked on a journey to represent the United States in the 2000 Olympic Games in Sydney, Australia. At press time, the pair was ranked fourth in the country. They are both based in Rochester, NY, although they practice in Clearwater, FL, during the winter months. Mike is married to Delia, and has kids Sam, Roy, and Elizabeth. Erik has "an awesome dog named Weezy." You can read more about their goals, their victories, and even get "sail mail updates" as the games approach by visiting www.viewpointusa.com/tornado.

A few family-style reports: Olivia Morgan Goldstein was born on Dec. 4, '98, to **Neil S. Goldstein** and wife Jennifer. Neil lives in South Salem, NY, and commutes to New York City to practice law at Darby & Darby.

Peter Bell and wife **Liz (Kallenbach) '87** had their third child, "a girl, finally," he e-mailed. Avery Elizabeth was born Oct. 21, '98, looking mighty dainty next to big brothers Tyler, 6, and Derek, 5. They are in Oreland, PA. Peter recently traveled the world marketing Tylenol and Motrin for Johnson & Johnson and climbed the Great Wall of China with **Paul Foskey '84** in March 1999.

Nigel Telman updated us via e-mail about his new twin boys, Nigel F. Telman II (f.k.a. "Twin A") and Nicholas Alexander Telman (f.k.a. "Twin B"), on Oct. 2, '98. "The lads are fantastic and are already being groomed for Cornell, Class of 2019. Their mother, a U. Penn Quaker, is trying desperately to sway them to Philadelphia. Maybe we will end up sending one to each!" Nigel is a senior associate with the law firm of Freeborn & Peters in Chicago. "With all that is going on, I miss the good old days of having a drink in Noyes Pub on a Friday evening with my Alpha brothers," he says.

Also from Chicago, **Traci H. Rimerman** e-mailed she's a senior product manager for ECommerce company. She graduated

Road to Wellness

GAYLE REICHLER '86

When Gayle Reichler was diagnosed with thyroid cancer at twenty-seven, she feared for her life—and decided to fight back. After undergoing radiation therapy, she pledged to protect her body through diet and exercise. Eight years later, her cancer is in remission, and the nutritionist and chef is spreading the word about the benefits of healthy living with a recent book, *Active Wellness: Feel Good for Life*. "The best approach to a satisfying lifestyle,"

Reichler says, "is to make small changes that will lead to big results."

An ag economics major on the Hill, Reichler holds a master's in nutrition from New York University and has trained at the French Culinary Institute in New York City. Her ten-step plan stresses the importance of eating foods you enjoy, a philosophy that has inspired her to create such recipes as fat-free chocolate truffles, which she sells by mail order. "Diets are on their way out," Reichler says. "People don't want deprivation."

— Sharon Ellis '01



from the J. L. Kellogg Graduate School of Management and has worked in various positions as a consultant and product manager for companies in Chicago. She passed along news of **Anne Feldstein** Baretz, who just had her second child, Michael Issac. And Traci's very glad that **Ana Borges** Demeo and her family just moved to the Chicago area. She also keeps in touch with **Karren Fink '88**, who works for General Mills in Minneapolis, and **Emily (Sawers)** and **B. Todd Berlinghof '85**. **Linda Goodman** Dickinson of Alpharetta, GA, updates us that she has a son, Samuel, 5, and daughter Bailey, 3.

I'm hoping to have a lot more to share when my next deadline comes around. Please remember, guys, that you don't have to have just had a kid or traveled to a foreign land to send in your news. Use this space for networking, for finding other Cornellians in your city or town, or to get a message to a long-lost college friend. As I found out, you could be around the corner from a former dormmate or an e-mail away from a promising Cornellian partnership. Please write me soon at the addresses here. ♦ **Hilory Federgreen** Wagner, 108 Nicole Dr., S. Glastonbury, CT 06073; e-mail, hilwag@aol.com; **Michael Berkwits**, 230 N. 22nd St., 12A, Philadelphia, PA 19103; e-mail, berkwits@mail.med.upenn.edu; and **Jeffrey W. Cowan**, 1114 6th St., Suite 10, Santa Monica, CA, 90403; e-mail jwcesq@soca.com.

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It's almost surreal when I realize that this may be my last class column in the 20th century. As I review a new batch of News & Dues forms, I want to thank many of you for taking time from your busy schedule to jot down a few words about your new homes, new babies, or new jobs. As we leave our marks in the waning months of 1999, there is much to look forward to in the year 2000 and beyond. After all, our next reunion, in 2002, will be right around the corner.

As our alma mater enters a new academic year, many fellow classmates have become parents for the first time. **Dana Brodsky-Sherman** and husband Brad welcomed baby boy Noah Bryce on June 16, '98. Dana and family also relocated to Port Washington, NY, in May 1999. **Kimberly Kappler** Fine and husband Joe had a son named Declan MacPherson on Sept. 27, '98. Kimberly reports, "to accommodate Declan, we have sold our apartment and are building a house in Goldens Bridge, NY. We are very excited about it all, except the commute. The company I co-founded four years ago, Fulcrum Information Services, is up to 35 employees and \$10 million in revenue this year! As all the working moms know, balancing work and family is the biggest challenge, but I wouldn't trade motherhood for the world."

Charles Veth (cwv@cvm.com) wrote from their new home in Madison, CT, that

wife Marianne gave birth to Maxwell Charles on Oct. 16, '98. **Bjorn Levidow** (bjornl@microsoft.com) and wife Elizabeth became first-time parents on Nov. 4, '98, to son Kai

rities Arbitration Clinic, while teaching legal writing at Cardozo Law School. **Tom DeLoughry** and wife **Maria (Sileno)** moved from Washington, DC, to Westwood, NJ.

“Marta Bechhoefer teaches Spanish in a school that has ‘principles but no principal.’”

— ROSE TANASUGARN '90

Alexander Sanocki. Bjorn works at Microsoft and is a group program manager of the Windows CE Home Network Group. The Levidows live in Seattle. **Karen Alter-Hanson**, BA '88, wrote that her daughter Abigail Frances was born on Dec. 24, '98. From Stony Brook, NY, **Dean Rosenzweig** and wife Susan announced the birth of their first child, Emma, born on New Year's Day, 1999. **R. Brian Giesler** (bgiesler@iupui.edu) and wife had their first kid, Logan Charles, on Jan. 19, '99. Brian said that in five months Logan was already up to 17-1/2 pounds, and “is very cute.”

David Gruen, MD '91, and wife **Jennifer (Baum)**, MD '92, welcomed daughter Emily on Feb. 9, '99. The Gruens live in Stamford, CT, and David now works at Norwalk Radiology and Mammography. On the same day, **Ray Endreny** (ndreny@aol.com) and wife Pamela welcomed Kasper John. Kasper is in the good company of Cornellian relatives: uncle **Ted Endreny '90** and aunt **Anna (Henderson) '90**, MAT '91, and grandparents **Mary (Day)**, M ED '64, and **Sy Diamond '58**, who still live on Cayuga Lake. **Kathleen Riley** Smith and husband Stephen are the proud parents of Brian Patrick, who was born on Feb. 26, '99. Brian was 8 pounds, 10 ounces, and 20-1/2 inches at the time of birth. Kathleen also reported that she left Citibank in September 1997 after ten years to join MKI-Frustum, a company that builds financial software for traded products. She is a senior business analyst. The Smiths live in Croton-on-Hudson, NY. **Michael Revenson** reported that daughter Tylar Zara arrived at 4:25 a.m. on Apr. 20, '99, weighing 7 pounds, 6.2 ounces (or 3,350 grams) and measuring 19-1/2 inches. Michael and wife Laura make their home in Mahopac, NY. In Plainview, NY, **Mark Frucht** and wife **Lori (Rothstein) '90** saw double happiness on Mar. 25, '99, when twins Matthew and Samantha were born.

Michael Barnello, BS Hotel '88, (michael.barnello@joneslanglasalle.com) and wife Susie moved to Bethesda, MD, in July 1998. Four months later, they had a baby girl named Olivia, on November 13. The Barnellos have an older son, Matthew. **Jill Israeloff** Gross (jgross@law.pace.edu) now has a daughter, Abigail Judith, born Nov. 9, '98, in addition to son Mitchell. Abigail is already in possession of two Cornell shirts and a Cornell bear. Jill was appointed adjunct professor at Pace Law School and co-director of the Secu-

Their second child, Kevin Anthony, was born Jan. 4, '99. Tom said that the grandparents on both sides were very happy to have Kevin and older brother Ryan nearby. From Austin, TX, **Fred Barber** and wife Alice welcomed their second daughter, Stephanie Carolyn, on Sept. 23, '98. “I continue to commute from Austin to South Africa several times a year on business.” Fred told us, “and plan to return to Tanzania in September 1999 to lecture at the U. of Dar es Salaam.” **Kerrin Moriarty** Antonsson and husband Stefan wrote from Kentucky to say that son Stefan now has a younger brother, Andres Derin, who was born Dec. 29, '98. Kerrin recently had a visit by classmates **Karen (Morel)** and **Kevin Joostema** and their daughter Kristin. The Joostemas live in Redondo Beach, CA. **Nancy Cohen** Shatz and husband Michael had a baby girl in January, whom they named Maggie. Maggie has a big brother, Andrew, who is now 4 years old. Nancy and family live in Framingham, MA.

Several classmates were recently invited to join the Council of Foreign Relations: **Louisa Coan**, our Class President **Gligor Tashkovich**, MBA '91, and **Nadia Schadlow** Murphy. Fellow EE grad **Debra Eisenberger**, BS Eng '88, (deb@amirmd.com) checked in with news of her nuptial: “We (Debra and Amir Matityahu) married in Caesaria, Israel on Sept. 7, '98, and held another party/ceremony in New Jersey on September 13.” Happy anniversary! Debra also reported that classmate **Shari Brasner** has written a book, *Advice from a Pregnant Obstetrician*. Shari not only attended Debra's wedding, but is also her obstetrician. **Elana S. Marcus**, **Sharon Pohoryles**, **Jeff M. Cohen**, and the aforementioned Karen Alter-Hanson were other classmates who went to Debra's party in NJ. Another EE, **Joe G. Peterson** (joe@skyrush.com), also wrote to give us an update on his cross-country skydiving adventure a year ago: “Joanne Burke and I were married on July 26, '98. I met her skydiving in 1989. I now work at SynaPix doing special effects (3D graphics) software. We moved to Boulder, CO, in March, and I telecommute to Lowell, MA. We are enjoying the hiking, biking, and fresh air!” Former U-Hall 5 resident **Esther Alonso** has relocated to Hialeah, FL: “I graduated from Tulane Medical School in June and moved back to Miami for my residency training.”

Lastly, we have two wonderful letters this month. One is from **Deanna Silver** Jacobson,

who emphatically stated that nothing has changed for her: “Same house, job, husband, and kids. I've spent the last year or two figuring out how to balance it all (kids and our own business) with some success. I've learned more about insurance plans than I had ever hoped or expected; same goes for the field of medicine, since I'm a committed business-world person. But running my husband Mark's office (allergy and asthma doctor) has forced me to learn about his world. I think staffing has been the biggest challenge at work. My boys, Joshua, 4, and Ari, 2-1/2, keep us laughing and on our toes. They've visited several college campuses and are working toward their respective freshman years on the Hill. Joshua will probably find a way to organize the many library locations and Ari's smile will brighten any 'Ithacating' day.” The other letter, which was handwritten and made me chuckle out loud, goes like this: “**Maura Hanning**, Class of '87, is hiding out in Glorieta, NM. Please send *Cornell Magazine* and other correspondence to her at that address henceforth. She is a geologist for the state of New Mexico and manages a department there. There, she won't be able to give you the slip now.” It was signed, “Dad.” Thank you, Mr. Hanning! ❖ **Tom S. Tseng**, c/o SOAR, Stanford University, 301 Encina Hall, Stanford, CA 94305-6076; e-mail, tseng@stanford.edu; and **Debra Howard** Stern, 235 W. 108th St. #45, NYC 10025; e-mail, dstern@barnard.edu.



Hello! As usual, we've gone from a dearth (see Diane's comments in the last issue) to an abundance of news. Your cards and notes have filled our “In” box since the April News & Dues forms began arriving, and I'm awed by how much has transpired since reunion last year. Our class treasurer, **Charles “Chad” Snee**, has left teaching in Florida for an associate editorship in Ohio with *Linn's Stamp News*, the world's largest publication serving the stamp collecting hobby. “As a collector for nearly 25 years, to be paid to write about the hobby is simply incredible,” he wrote. His wife Lynne and daughter Katelyn joined him in Ohio shortly thereafter. In February, **Jeff H. Kramer** moved to Tampa, where he started his new position as a research associate at the Center for Urban Transportation Research at the U. of South Florida.

Kimberly Brockett and husband Michael Cappelli, of New Haven, NY, announced the birth of son Drew Brockett Cappelli on May 7, '98. Kimberly initially returned part-time to her job as assistant controller at Felix Schoeller Technical Papers Inc. after Drew's birth, but has since decided to stay at home as a full-time mom.

Susan Ellis Koch and husband Richard welcomed daughter, Elizabeth Anne, on Sept. 3, '98. Susan retired from her job as a museum curator in Wichita to take up parenting full-time, but she continues her running, golfing, and volunteering for the Wichita Falls Landmarks Commission. Susan reports that two former Balch Hall dormmates also had children last year: **Julie Santiago** Mortati had

baby Matthew Thomas on May 28, '98, and **Kirsten Fowles** Graham had Matthew Spencer on Sept. 21, '98. **Mary E. Barber** and her partner Alleyn have a 2-year-old daughter, Kennedy.

On Dec. 6, '98, **Michele Silverstein** married Dr. Mark Furman in Woodsbury, NY. Attending the ceremony were **Cindy I. Zuckerman**, **Allison Picket** Fehrenbaker, **Jill S. Schiff** Monoson, **Stacy Silverman** Chaikin, **Meryl Icove**, **Donna Krochak** Kash '87, and **Risa Plaskowitz** Askenas '89. In a small, family ceremony on the Outer Banks of North Carolina, **Lisa M. Sotir** married Ozgur Ozkan on May 29. "We're moving to Cincinnati so that Ozgur can do his ophthalmology residency at University Hospital," Lisa wrote. She will be working as an attorney for Thompson Hine & Flory on corporate transactions, and she and Ozgur plan to spend time with **Judi (Burton)** and **Greg Gaines** '89, BS Hotel '90, who live in nearby Kettering, OH. Captain **Jim "Zippy" Sekelsky**, U. S. Army, wrote: "I command a headquarters company in Germany. In 1993, I married Julie Ann Bailey of Houston, TX, and we now have a son, Kyle Jakob. The Army has kept me busy with varied 'vacations' over the years: two trips to Kuwait, six months in the Republic of Georgia (Black Sea), six months in lovely Bosnia, and a 'Pre-NATO Partnership' exercise in Poland. My passion in the Army is Foreign Areas (Eurasia) and maintaining Russian fluency. Lastly, I was finally published in the U. S. Army's *Chemical Review* (journal)." Jim sends word that **Rich Ballew** earned his MBA at Wharton and was with Merrill Lynch in NYC, but that they have fallen out of touch, and he'd like to know what's become of Rich.

Larry Arnold is working in Washington, DC, as a reporter for the Associated Press. He often runs into **Marc Lacey** '87 of the *LA Times* in the Senate Press Gallery, and he reports that **John DiConsiglio** (a "missing" classmate) is alive and well in Arlington, VA. **Allan Creamer** works for the Federal Regulatory Commission and lives in Laurel, MD. **Kathy Cuthill Doughty**, in Glenelg, MD, has retired from Kraft Foods to join her husband **Jeff** '86, BS Ag '87, in business. She and Jeff have a daughter, Hannah, and a son Brian, born Feb. 12, '99.

Jane Wiener Parish is living in New York City and has a 3-year-old son, Andrew. **Anna R. Weber**, also in Gotham, is the director of operations for the New York Philharmonic. **Christopher T. Anderson**, BA '89, is a felony trial assistant district attorney in Bronx County. **Steven Gal**, BS Ag '90, recently accepted a position as vice-president, marketing, at Inference and was named to the Cornell Entrepreneurship and Personal Enterprise Advisory Council. **Karen P. Kao** is a physical therapist at Maimonides Hospital in Brooklyn and works with **Marcia Gerolemou** '95.

Jim C. Wen was recently elected president of the Phi Beta Kappa Assn. of New York. He'd like for New Yorkers who are Phi Betas to contact him (195 E. 4th St., #4, NYC 10009; tel., (212) 231-2000 x117, james@

cometsystems.com). Jim's also been "dabbling in new media/Internet startups" and traveling to such far-flung reaches as Scotland, Indonesia, and India. **Olga Fedoroff**, BS Ag '90, now living in Howell, NJ, has visited Russia, Europe, Africa, and South America in the past 2-3 years. **Lisa Gagnum** Boillot and husband Etienne returned this year from a six-month extended honeymoon spent traveling through Asia. **Joseph J. Kim** makes frequent trips to the Far East as part of his job at Apple Computers.

Elizabeth A. Polonsky, BA '89, is living in London, England, and working as a teacher. **Anchi Lue** is married and lives in Belgium. Anchi sends word of **Hsiao-Mei Lieu**, a doctor in NYC, and **Courtney S. Lui**, now a lawyer living in San Francisco. In Redwood City, CA, **Eric Gorovitz** directs The Bell Campaign, a new national advocacy group for victims of gun violence. He has a 2-year-old daughter, Jessica.

Jennifer (Rothschild) married Paul Robinson in September 1997. She and Paul live in NYC, where she works as an attorney at Ohrenstein & Brown, LLP. Jennifer keeps regular contact with **Chris M. Cillis**, an anesthesiologist in Fairfax, VA, and **Julie Altman** Liddle, an art therapist in Virginia. **Amy Doig** Cullen and her family live in Ballston Lake, NY, where Amy works as community service coordinator for the Shenendehowa School District. She and her husband Tom have young children, Ryan and Meghan.

Lastly, **Kate Blodgett** sends news from the East Coast. She and husband Mike have a 3-1/2-year-old son and a 2-year-old daughter. Katie has worked for RWD Technologies, a performance improvement consulting company based near Baltimore, for the past seven years; and she and Mike are planning on buying a house in Fishkill, NY, in the near future. Remember to keep sending news (and dues!), especially in the late summer and fall, when our News & Dues forms begin to yellow with age. E-mail is always an easy way to reach us (and it saves us from the tedium of typing!). Also, please try to note who is a Cornellian and what year they graduated. Cheers! ♦ **Larry Goldman**, 3019 Grove St., Denver, CO 80211; e-mail, lig2@cornell.edu; and **Diane Weisbrot** Wing, 727 Anita St., Redondo Beach, CA 90278; e-mail, axel3@aol.com.



Isn't e-mail great? I especially think so whenever I get news for the class column (hint, hint! nt28@cornell.edu). By e-mail, I learned that **Bart Mills** '64, the Los Angeles Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAN) chairman, is a new grandfather: "Our daughter-in-law, **Judith "Jody" Kraft** '92, gave birth on Apr. 13, '99, to a son, Joey McKecknie Mills. The father is our son **Kevin H. Mills** '93. Jody will finish her residency in family practice at UCLA in June. Kevin is the co-author, with his mother **Nancy (Dunhoff)** '64, of a second book, *Help! My Apartment Has a Dining Room*, published in

May. Their first book, *Help! My Apartment Has a Kitchen*, has sold 80,000 copies so far. Kevin and Nancy are working on a third book, "Help! I'm Addicted to Chocolate," to be published next year. Kevin and Jody live at 7733 St. Bernard St., Apt. 12, Playa del Rey, CA 90293." Bart, Kevin, and Jody usually make up one-third of the Cornell softball team whenever we have games in LA. Congratulations on the new future Cornellian!

US Army Capt. **Janice H. Chen** e-mailed earlier this year: "Hello from Hanau, Germany. I've been stationed in Europe since October 1995, serving with 5th Battalion (PATRIOT), 7th Air Defense Artillery. I have been the battery commander of Bravo Battery, 5-7 ADA (about 90 people and around \$65 million worth of base PATRIOT equipment) for about a year. As one might suspect by just watching the news, the OPTEMPO for all Army units here in Europe is really, really high. My unit alone has been on 72-hour recall since January 1998 for possible deployment to regions of tension in the Middle East and Eastern Europe. Finally in December 1998, after a long year of being on a 'string' for deployment, my unit got the mission to deploy to conduct the first joint and combined air defense of critical assets in the state of Israel. (My battery sat on the ground as Operation Desert Fox started, progressed, and ended.) During the deployment, I had the opportunity to meet the Israeli Minister of Defense and U. S. Ambassador to Israel, only one short week before political turmoil once again began in the state of Israel.

"Other than all that, I have been loving every minute of driving really, really fast down Germany's great autobahns (no speed limit!) and the great traveling and beer. I have been trying to find **Pete J. Blair** and **Sue Moy Chen**. As you can imagine, I don't run into too many Cornellians here in Germany, but I do keep in touch with **Anne Dierckes** Kirkpatrick, who now lives in Utah with husband **Douglas**, ME C '91, and beautiful children, and **Alex Gasser**, who is a lawyer in Madison, WI. Hope all is well with everyone back in the States. I will be changing duty stations (finally) at the end of this year and returning to the States, hopefully to the Pentagon . . . but we'll see!"

Speaking of e-mail, I just want to remind everybody that the Class of 1990 has an electronic mailing list. For instructions on how to join, go to www.alumni.cornell.edu, or send an e-mail to nt28@cornell.edu with your name and the e-mail address at which you would like to be contacted, and I will gladly add you to the list. We are still collecting informal RSVPs for Reunion 2000 via the class e-mail list, and we would love to see your name on it! As for the class webpage, I take full responsibility for the delay. Now that I've finished the International Trade and Commerce certificate program at UCLA, I will have more time to devote to getting us online. However, as I am a complete novice at webpage construction and design, I am always looking for volunteers or words of advice. Please bear with me, and I hope to have something for you to see soon. Keep checking at the Cornell

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website (www.cornell.edu); the Class of 1990 one day will have their link there!

As I recently picked up golf as a hobby, **Paul Albanese's** news card caught my eye. One of Paul's course designs was recently awarded Third Best New Public Course by *Golf Digest* magazine. Way to go, Paul! Paul lives in Plymouth, MI. Skiing is another popular Cornellian activity. **Suzanne Heidelberger** of NYC wrote to say that she went on an all-girls ski trip in Vail, CO, with **Jayne M. Bick** and had a great time. Another Cornellian get-together took place in Napa, CA. **Heather R. Webster, Heather A. Meyer, Anne E. Foster,** and **Maureen R. Holbrow** joined **Susan E. Miller** for a bit of wine tasting. Susan is a consultant at Deloitte and Touche, San Francisco. Susan saw **Anjali Chaturvedi** and **Karen L. Tyler** in Seattle, WA.

Also in Washington state is **Stephanie Clark**, PhD '97. After earning her master's degree and doctorate in food science at Cornell, she became a Washington State U. assistant professor of food science and human nutrition, specializing in dairy science. Stephanie reports that **Rob Viens** and wife Gwynneth are in Seattle, where Rob was a geology graduate student at the U. of Washington. **Jennifer L. Dilworth** of Gig Harbor, WA, is substitute teaching and leading courses in environmental education while working on her master's degree in organizational leadership.

In other news from the Pacific Northwest, **Anna Barnsley Werblow**, our 1995 Reunion co-chair, reports that all is well in Ashland, OR. She and husband **Steve '88** have a 2-year-old daughter, Shoshana Beth. Another Oregon resident is **Amy Wang**, who has put her experience as a *Cornell Daily Sun* editor to good use. A former editor of the *Philadelphia Inquirer's* Sunday magazine, Amy is now an editor at the *Oregonian*. Amy's brother, **Jay-min Wang '99**, was a *Daily Sun* assistant sports editor. Others in Portland include **Greg Manning**, a news manager for F.W. Dodge, and **Paul Hunt**, controller at Spirit Mountain Casino.

A number of classmates live in Northern California. **Stacey L. Pelinka** of San Francisco is a freelance flutist. She also plays flute and piccolo for the Sarasota Opera Orchestra and the Western Opera Theater. **Christie P. Fanton** is a postdoctoral fellow at the U. of California, San Francisco. Dr. Fanton earned her PhD from Boston U. Medical School. **Matthew Baizer** of Pleasant Hill sent news of the birth of his son, Nicholas Scott, on Jan. 2, '98. Matthew is the district manager of Applebee's in Northern California. **Amy Skolnick** McDaniel is the general manager of the Crowne Plaza Pleasanton. She was paid a visit by **Andy Strasser** of Chicago. Amy lives in San Ramon, CA.

In Los Gatos, CA, **Kari P. Wolff** and **Alice Segovia** Southwell reminisced about their Cornell days while attending *Sesame Street Live* with their sons. Kari's second son, Arthur Saul, had his first birthday in April. **Marta Bechhoefer** of San Juan Bautista, CA, is a high school Spanish teacher. The school is administered by teachers, and Marta says, "We have principals but no principal." With that

witty remark, I close this edition of the '90 class column. See you in the November/December issue! ♦ **Rose Tanasugarn**, 5419 La Mirada Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90029-1010; fax, (323) 850-0969; e-mail, nt28@cornell.edu, and **Regina Duffey**, 440 E. Buffalo St., Apt. 7, Ithaca, NY 14850; Fax, (607) 255-9767; e-mail, rmid5@cornell.edu.



Greetings from the Hill. I haven't received much news recently, so I reach into the archives for this article. I have tried to decipher what I thought to be still valid, even if the response card is a year old. If anything needs to be corrected, let us know so we can print updates in the next article. Please continue to write and e-mail us your news so we can keep our classmates up to date with all of the wonderful events and occurrences happening to the Class of 1991 alumni.

Greg Stoller, BS Hotel '92, left the Shiva Corp. last February and has joined a retailing start-up firm in charge of finance planning and corporate strategy. **Dan E. Goldman** has nearly completed his one-year tour as a military defense counsel with the Army JAG Corps, serving in Tongduchon, South Korea. He recently traveled to the Great Wall in China. **Jeff Carver** is now with Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories working as a sales representative in southern New Jersey. Jeff completed his MBA in marketing from Temple U. in Philadelphia in May 1998 and remains very busy with the Cornell Club of Greater Philadelphia.

Christian Loew, ME C '92, tells us that his job as a software development project director for National Instruments has taken him to Munich, Germany, for a year. Christian spends a lot of his time with a subsidiary company in Moenchengladbach. He recently spent some time with **Chris Rosbrook '90**, who works in Aachen, Germany. **Toshio Kobayashi** sends news from Japan. Since graduating from, Kobayashi-san has worked for London Marriott as DOS-Japan, Nagoya Hilton as director of marketing, and Mori Building, a leading urban developing company, as general manager for new business. He started his own company in July 1999 in Tokyo, the Renaissance Hotel Management Inc., whose core business is hotel management and consulting. Kobayashi-san tells us that his "target is 200 hotels (reasonable price) in ten years, mainly in Japan, so I need good support from everybody, especially Class of '91 alumni in Japan on business or on vacation!"

J. Scott Berniker has started a new job with American Express in New York City. We've also heard from **Michelle May Koellermeier**, from Glendale, CA, who has finished her residency in obstetrics and gynecology. **Christine M. Steinmann** returned to the US after two years in the Peace Corps in Haiti. She is a veterinarian in Stratford, CT, working with small and exotic animals. Christine and husband Damon Connor share these words of wisdom: "*Bon zanmi se pi bon pase fiere*," which is Haitian Creole for: "Good friends are better than brothers."

Kyle Yang and **Mary Helen Immor-**

dino '93 were married July 25, '98 in East Haddam, CT. The couple had wonderful weather and a lovely, outdoor, sunset reception. Friends in attendance included **Nora E. Immordino '96**, **Assaji Aluwihare '92**, **Karen Cassery-Daniels**, **Brian Daniels '90**, **Charles Feldpausch '95**, **Stephen and Nandini Sathe Merz '90**, **Sarah Stock Patterson '92**, and **Emily A. Sun '92**. Mary Helen is working on her doctorate at Harvard in the field of developmental psychology. Kyle earned his PhD from MIT in 1996 and now works for MIT at Lincoln laboratory. **Lynne (Moraghan)**, MPS Ag '92, and husband Phillip Rappa III were married in September. **Alysia J. Leavitt** was the maid of honor and **Seema Mital** also attended the ceremonies on Long Island. Lynne and Phillip spent their honeymoon on beautiful Block Island. Lynne is a veterinarian in Springfield, VA. While a little late in our reporting of these weddings, we nevertheless, wish the couples all the best.

Lots of new parents announcements. **Kevin Mills '93** e-mailed letting us know that he is the proud father of a son, Joey McKecknie Mills, born Apr. 13, '99. The mother is his wife **Judith "Jody" Kraft '92**. Kevin is the co-author, with his mother **Nancy Dunhoff Mills '64**, of a second book, *Help! My Apartment Has a Dining Room*, published in May 1999. Their first book, *Help! My Apartment Has a Kitchen*, has sold 80,000 copies so far. Kevin and Nancy are working on a third book, "Help! I'm Addicted to Chocolate," to be published next year. Jody recently finished her residency in family practice at UCLA. Kevin, Jody, and Joey reside in Playa del Rey, CA. **John and Lisa Munter Clarke** had a beautiful boy, Nicholas Munter Clarke, on Nov. 11, '98. John earned his master's in architecture in May, and the Clarke family has recently moved back to San Francisco.

Carla Heiss recently threw her husband, **Olen Honeyman**, a 30th birthday party, and there was a pretty good Class of '91 turnout. Guests included Jennifer Klein Lee, **Heather M. Bromfeld Delson**, **Stacey B. Slater**, **Scott Cummings**, **Dan Cohen**, **Eric Palatnik**, **Denis Geli**, **Barnaby Schapiro**, **Thomas Doster**, **Karen R. Finkston**, and **Dave Speiser**. The birth of Olen's and Carla's son, Maxwell William (class of 2021?), came just a few weeks later on March 26. Carla is an associate with the law firm Shearman & Sterling in New York. Olen has recently joined GE Capital as an associate in capital markets. **Oral Boston** and wife Jennifer welcomed their second son, Benjamin Roy, into the world in October. Older brother Timothy was born in 1996. Congratulations to all the new parents!

Ines Y. Hwang and husband Steven, both residents of Taiwan, spent their summer vacationing in the United States and Canada visiting family and friends. **Carla Farina** and **Les Bihari**, '90, BS Ag '91, have finally returned to the United States after spending the last few months on a truly awesome adventure through Europe. Having traveled to all the major (and some minor) hot points in Europe, both were anxious to finally return home.

Carla and Les, after spending some time in Boston and Ithaca, have finally (?) settled down in New Jersey. In May, my husband, **Mark Cisz**, and I took our son Bryan, born in January, on his first road trip to Ithaca to attend the graduation of Bryan's godfather, **Daniel A. Howard '99**. The graduation was amazing, with an incredible speech given by Hunter Rawlings. Walking around campus brought back many fond memories for Mark and me. The campus is always changing, but I hope you all can get back sometime soon to relive the good times and memories. Thank you to everyone who mailed in updates and alumni sightings! Keep smiling, stay happy, and keep the news flowing! ♦ **Linda Moerck-Cisz**, 264 Carpenter Ave., Sea Cliff, NY 11579; e-mail, cisz_mark@jpmorgan.com.



I'd like to start out by thanking the many Cornellians in attendance at my wedding to **David Toth** on May 1. We had a great day, with many thanks due to our dear Cornell friends who attended, especially to groomsmen **Geoff Manikin** and **Craig Shields** and bridesmaids **Ruth Herzog** Pack and **Diane M. Irwin '94**. Geoff, who is now a meteorologist, helped us get perfect weather. Craig gave a lovely blessing at the ceremony; Ruth sang beautifully in the ceremony, reminding me of her days in Nothing But Treble; and Diane made sure we did a good ol' sorority candle passing. The other 20 Cornellians in attendance helped us put a Big Red edge on the wedding by singing the "Alma Mater." Thanks again, Cornell, for introducing David and me. Would you believe we met on our second day as freshmen as part of an orientation group? We moved from New Hampshire to Charlottesville, VA, at the end of June when David began a fellowship in endocrinology at the U. of Virginia. If anyone is in the area, please contact us. We need to meet people!

OK, enough about me. There's lots more news. For example: **Ben Dattner** hopes to get his PhD in industrial and organizational psychology at NYU in the fall. His dissertation is about fairness in the workplace, specifically the gap between managers' self-assessments and their ratings by their staffs. **Daniel Sinder** successfully defended his dissertation in May and will be earning his PhD in electrical engineering from Rutgers U. in October. **Azhar Khan** started Cubus, an Internet startup that provides business-to-business visual collaboration products and services for geographically distributed project teams in March 1997 with a group of nine other Cornellians. They're enjoying success with some large deals.

Chris Brady married Elizabeth I. Walona on Aug. 14, '93 and daughter Isabel R. B. Brady was born Nov. 17, '97. In July 1998, Chris became assistant professor of classical studies and director of the Jewish Studies Program at Tulane U. **Kirsten (Johnston)** and **Piers Barker '91**, MD '95, had a baby boy, Weston Piers Allen, on March 13. They are adjusting to life as a family of three, but could use a little more sleep!

Tanya G. Kachen is working at the Dana Farber Cancer Inst., managing a research study on smoking and pregnancy. Last year she earned her master's in public health from Harvard. She lives in the north end of Boston,

“Thanks again, Cornell, for introducing David and me. Would you believe we met on our second day as freshmen?”

— RENÉE HUNTER TOTH '92

and does lots of biking, snowboarding, in-line skating, and sitting on the beach.

Greg Della Rocca finished the MD/PhD program at Duke and is doing an orthopaedic surgery residency in St. Louis at Washington U. (Barnes Hospital). Greg mentioned that **Dave** and **Kenda Kroodsmas Riley** are living in Chapel Hill. Dave is a pediatrics resident at U. of North Carolina and Kenda is an internal medicine resident. They have a 2-year-old daughter named Amanda. **Rajiv Jain** is a third-year medicine/pediatrics resident at Duke and was married last year. Also, **Alice E. Mauskopf** is a resident at Duke and married Russell Rothman last year.

Lisa Y. (Chin) and **Ken Potash**, JD '96, celebrated their one-year anniversary in May. They bought a house in Weston, CT, so they can be closer to their jobs. Ken works for a law firm in Seymour, CT, and Lisa, having graduated from NYU's Stern School of Business in May, does marketing at Clairol in Stamford, CT. Lisa filled me in on news from other Cornellians she keeps in touch with: **Cheryl J. Knopp** and **Gabrielle L. Mollo** are attorneys in NYC, and **Lisa M. Slow** is a producer at Bloomberg. **Lisa E. Lederman** is an assistant DA in NYC; **Danielle DeMaio** graduated from Columbia Business School last year and currently works at Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenette; **Lynne M. Strasfeld** graduated from Yale Medical School and is practicing medicine in NYC. **Andrea Del Duca** is an attorney in North Carolina. **Danna Leiner** Gildersleeve had a baby girl named Ryan in December and built a new house in Manahawkin, NJ; and **Leslie Schneider** married Vinnie Bresnider last summer.

Amy Pangborn married Michael Giardello in August 1996, received her PhD in chemistry from Caltech in October 1998. They welcomed their first son, Edward Michael, into the world on April 6. **Angela Cheng-Cimini** and **Michael Cimini** announced the birth of their daughter Christina Ning Cimini, born March 16. And **Jennifer Krain** married Rich Wurtzberger on September 26. They live in Hartsdale, NY, and Jennifer works for Time Inc. as a marketing manager for *BabyTalk* magazine.

Todd Louis Green married **Kimberly Ann Kubiak '93**, on Dec. 12, '97. Todd rightfully wanted to brag about his wife, who got an internship in Washington, DC, her last semester at Cornell, and in the six years since

has risen all the way to the top at that same organization and is now the executive director of the National Assn. of State Directors of Vocational Technical Education Consortium. It's a non-profit organization devoted to improving

public voc-ed opportunities. I think that is very worthy of some bragging!

Living in Chicago is **Alison B. Miller**, where she was finishing up her PhD in clinical psychology this spring before marrying Ray Meek on June 12. She is starting a one-year clinical internship at a veterans hospital in the fall. Also newly married is **Jennifer Tomsen**, who married Christopher Jermaine on June 19, '99. She had been teaching at Emory U. in the environmental studies department, but is starting law school at Duke U. this fall.

David M. Fishbach sent me enough news to fill a column! Here's the condensed version: his former roommate, **David J. Katz**, ME E '93, (remember the "Raining Katz" column in the *Daily Sun*?) married **Jill Steuer** Thanksgiving weekend of 1997 on Long Island. David and Jill now live happily in Buffalo Grove, a Chicago suburb. David and his former next door neighbors in Founders Hall, **Heikki Nikkanen**, BA '93, and **Michael D. Schwartz**, MD '98, have both finished med school and begun their residencies in emergency medicine. Heikki is an intern in Harvard's emergency medicine residency and Mike is at the U. of Cincinnati emergency medicine residency, naturally, since they were both EMTs starting freshman year! **L'vannah Bielsker** has finished two years of teaching high school physics, chemistry, and biology at the American School of Milan, Italy, and has returned to Palo Alto to teach high school science in the States. As for David, after four years of environmental work in Midland, MI, he asked Dow for a transfer to a more metropolitan area. He now works as a senior production engineer at a plastic film manufacturing plant in Hebron, OH, about 35 miles east of Columbus. He continues to do theater at night, and has been co-coaching an Odyssey of the Mind team for a local high school.

Debra G. Birnbaum is loving her job as senior editor at *Redbook*, and **Sari L. Pessah** works as a program manager for the Arts & Business Council, an arts service organization in New York City and has recently purchased a co-op in Park Slope, Brooklyn. Sari mentioned that **Cheri L. Peele** recently completed a master's at MIT and is currently the assistant director for waste policy and planning in the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs in Boston. **Julie A. Graffam**, MBA '94, is currently working for Nortel Networks and is relocating to Greenwich, CT. **Emily J.**

Drucker has started a new job as a legal consultant for William M. Mercer in NYC. She and her husband are restoring a brownstone in Park Slope, Brooklyn. **Amy L. Sussman** attended the wedding of **Sue Bystrak** to Graeme Millar in Fairport, NY, this spring. Amy finished her PhD last year and is currently working in the U. S. Senate Subcommittee on Children and Families.

Well, be sure to drop me a line with your big news for inclusion in a future column! ❖ **Renée Hunter** Toth, 3901 Thomas Dairy Lane, North Garden, VA 22959; e-mail, rah24@cornell.edu; **Deborah W. Feinstein**, 4400 East-West Highway, #714, Bethesda, MD 20814; tel., (301) 656-3161; e-mail, dfeinstein@cromor.com.



The dog days of summer don't bring much news, so some of this may be a little bit outdated. Thanks to everyone who provided fresh news in response to my plea! A news release indicates that **Mark Meulenberg** has been named assistant vice-president and portfolio manager for the Garden City, Long Island, office of United States Trust Company of New York. **Jason Halio** wrote: "I am finishing up my first year of my MBA degree at the Tuck School at Dartmouth College. I will be heading back down to NYC this summer to work on the equity trading floors of Goldman, Sachs. Still remain in frequent contact with **Marc Warm**, MBA '94, **Josh Richter '94**, **Jon Stein '94**, and **Josh Landman**."

Michelle B. Lee and **Lisa Ness Seidman** have both traded one law firm for another, as Michelle has moved to Rogers & Wells in Manhattan, and Lisa has moved to Pitney, Hardin, Kipp and Szuch in Morristown, NJ. **Rochelle S. Spring** is working for Viacom International in the corporate benefits department as a benefits specialist in NYC. **Jeff Drayer** wrote that he expected to start his dermatology residency in Boston in June, but don't plan on bringing him your medical problems just yet, as he is planning to switch career tracks and start film school at UCLA in September. **Amy L. Chizk** is heading even farther out of town, as she is headed into world missions. For her first project she planned to be in Albania July 20-Aug 4 to help people at the refugee camps. After that she'll be raising support to go to Asia to do work in orphanages.

Melissa Marks-Shih sent a whole e-mail full of news. She writes: "I got married on Nov. 23, '97 in NYC to **Michael Shih '88**. He is the director of legal affairs for a licensing company called The Beanstalk Group. I am a beauty account manager at *JANE* magazine. There were about a zillion Cornellians at the wedding (ok, not really a zillion), including **Andrew Shih '90**, **Steve J. Hirschhorn '88**, **Diane A. Hirschhorn '87**, **Tom S. Yu '88**, **Steven R. Katz '89**, **Matt Masseur '90**, **Sharon Siegel '92**, **BS HE '93**, **Dan Sinder '92**, **Debby Bushell '94**, **Monica Bernstein Levine**, **Richard G. Levine '91**, **Michelle Lee**, **Scott Liebman**, **Jacqui Lurie Liebman**, **Erik Feig**, **Carrie Skolnick '94**, **Keri Stahl**

'98, **Dale C. Fuchs '88**, **Winston Pao '81**, **ME I '88**, **MBA '90**, **Sophie S. Pao, MA '91**, **May S. Pao**, **ME I '86**, **MBA '87**, and **Lynn Chernow '81**. **Monica Bernstein Levine** is a senior editor at *Woman's Day* magazine; **Scott Liebman** has completed the second year of his residency at Mt. Sinai; **Jacqui Lurie Liebman** is working in the fundraising office of Columbia Business School; and **Erik Feig** is an attorney in Washington, DC."

Robert Bruckheimer wrote to tell us that **Seth Lebowitz** married **Tiffany Diamond** on Thanksgiving Day 1998 across the border in Toronto, Canada. In attendance were **Robert**, **Alan Gersch '90**, **BA '92**, **BS Eng '92**, **Marc Merriweather**, and **Larisa Shlahet**. **Derek Harrison** wrote that he married **Nichole Bialas** in June 1998. The couple honeymooned in Ireland and then moved to Philadelphia, where **Derek** works for Gilbane Building Co. as project engineer. **Nichole** is in her first year of medical school at Jefferson Medical College. **Preston Mendenhall** and **Eugenia Kozlova** were married on Feb. 12, '99, at the Westminster Town Hall in London, England. **Preston** is the International Consultant from MSNBC on the Internet. He is now based in London after a five-year stint in Moscow. **Amy Lau** married **Henry Yee** on Sept. 19, '98. **Amy** now lives in Queens, NY, and works as an application and database programmer.

Kristin A. Sponaugle is teaching second grade in the Baltimore area, and she she attended **Christina Mull Heyniger's** wedding in September with **Liz Hibbett Bell**. **Beth A. Purcell**, **Lisa M. Moskin**, and **Deb Cappucci**. **Louis "Chip" DeLorenzo** and wife **Dara** recently celebrated their first wedding anniversary. At their wedding were groomsmen **Joe M. Lennon**, **Alan Gober** and **Gregg Alber**, and guests **Aryan Woroniecki '95**, **Alison Sutter Alber**, **Ron Eagleroad** and **Jim Prendergast**. **Beth (Pinsley)** married **Nate Zonerach '92**, **MD '96**, in 1997; they live in Cleveland.

Stephanie Dickinson Caddle has moved on to the next life stage and writes that she had daughter **Maria Elizabeth** on July 31, '98; she is putting aside her research job to raise a family and is loving it. **Donald** and **Megan Evans Bradley** also welcomed their first child, **Claire Sutton**, in April of 1998 (class of 2019!).

Mark Sprague writes that he and wife **Cory Ulrich Sprague** "just had a beautiful, healthy baby girl on Feb. 4, '99. **Caroline Diane Sprague** weighed in at 6 pounds, 2 ounces, and looks great in Cornell Red!" A few more classmates have also added to their families, including **Scott Mankowitz** and wife **Suzanne**, who welcomed son **Benjamin Meir** June 1, '99, and **Andrea J. Sarkany** and **Greg Riskin '90**, **DVM '94**, who welcomed daughter **Deborah Arielle** on May 26, '99. Congratulations to all! ❖ **Yael Berkowitz**, 310 W. 95th St, #7A, NYC 10025; e-mail, yberkowitz@buckconsultants.com; and **Gregg Paradise**, 96 Fifth Ave., Apt. 9E, NYC 10011; e-mail, gparadise@kenyonlaw.com.

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Happy fall, everyone! I am trying to think autumn thoughts as I write this column, sitting in Washington, DC's 100-degree June heat, hoping that such thoughts might cool me off somewhat.

So far, though, no luck. Not even a trip to Ithaca this past weekend for Reunion '99 helped in that aspect—believe it or not, it was in the upper 80s and sunny! Not that I could complain. It was a great weekend, attended by close to 600 members of the Class of 1994 (There's our record to beat for next year, everyone!) as well as some classmates, checking it out for our 5th Reunion in 2000.

Included in that group were yours truly, who made the six-hour trek from DC with **Matt French**, **BS Eng '96**, a systems programmer for the Information Sciences Inst. at the U. of Southern California's School of Engineering location in Arlington, VA. We met up with fellow class officers **Annemarie T. Segaric** and **Pete Quagliaroli** and two of our illustrious reunion chairs, **Allison J. Halpern** and **Dana Yogel**.

As always, if you are interested in helping out with our reunion, please drop an e-mail to Allison at ahalpern@students.wisc.edu. This month, you will start hearing about reunion kickoff events coming up in various cities around the US. Picture a continuous supply of food, beer, and other libations throughout the day and late into the evening (including Hot Truck, which was parked on the Arts Quad!), warm weather, and hanging out, dancing, chatting, and reminiscing with classmates, some of whom you haven't seen since graduation.

Also spotted was **Jonathan Blockson '94**, president of a software company called Golly Gee (www.gollygee.com) based in Reston, VA. Other guests included **Jeffrey Chapman**, **Douglas Coe**, **Sylvan Kavanaugh**, **Deborah Kreisman**, **Dana Natkevicius**, **Jamie A. Neidig**, and **Audrey J. Witters**, as well as the following individuals celebrating their Cornell spouses' 5th Reunion: **Nico Marcellino** (husband of **Elizabeth Gonzalez-Marcellino '94**), **Meg Nalevanko** (wife of **Dan Falcone '94**, **MA in T '96**), **Heidi Niell** (wife of **Jose Niell '94**, **ME E '95**), **Christine Wood Echols** and **Mike '94**, **Cathy MacIntyre O'Neill '96** and **Tim '94**, **Joe '94** and **Stacy Sefcik**, and **Heather Sytsma Straka** and **Jason '94**, **MPS Ag '95**.

Speaking of Cornellian couples, it's time for the ever-popular wedding update! Two weddings mentioned previously, but without details, were those of **Karen (Young)** to **James Arasz**, **BS Ag '96**, and **Melissa Held** to **Dan Goldstein Tobin**. **Karen** and **Jim** were married on May 22 in Haddonfield, NJ. Cornellians in attendance included maid of honor **Mary K. Shelley '96**, as well as **Dawn E. Pinchasik**, **Kristin Blanchard '94**, **Joan E. Adamo '96**, and **Priscilla L. Sato '96**.

Two weeks later, after returning from her own honeymoon to Costa Rica, **Karen** attended the wedding of **Melissa** and **Dan**, which, she told me later, was truly a Cornell affair! The wedding took place on June 6 at the Madison Hotel in Morristown, NJ. **Melissa's**

maid of honor was **Michele L. Disken** and her chief attendant was Dr. **Alanna M. Coughlin**. All but one of the bridal party were Cornellians, as well: **Karin L. Altshuler**, **Laura J. Leiderman**, **Jennifer L. May '96**, and **Karey Gladanoudis**. The two best men were **Azfar Hashmi** and Dr. **Alex Kao**. The groom's attendants included Dr. **David C. Cunningham**, Dr. Andrew Nevins, Don Goldstein and Matthew Held. Guests included **Patrice M. Winter**, **V. Emily Applegate**, **Richard Marriott**, **Beth A. Camesano**, **Juliette R. Sorhagen**, **Shana C. Silverstein**, **Jennifer Saylor '94**, and **Channing Hamlet '94**, ME I '95, **Anita Zeba**, **Kristin D. Iglesias '93**, and **Matt V. Scott '94**.

Moving back in time now to report on yet another dual Class-of-'95 wedding, **Caroline Fox** and **David Shechter** were married on March 21 in Manhattan. Guests included: **Shaindy Aber**, **Michelle Wasserman**, **Jen Witrock Fenster** and **Matt, Mindy S. Goodman**, **Michelle "Mikki" Knudsen**, **Matt Winberg '96**, **Ken Gordon**, **Jason Fromberg**, **Jeff D. Cohen '93**, ME CS '94, **Brooke E. Frantz**, **Purvi Sevak**, and **Sarah Schneider** Cohen, along with husband **Shane** and 2-month-old son, **Avi**. **Carrie** graduated from Yale Law School and is employed at a NYC firm, while **David** is still working on his PhD in molecular biology at Columbia.

On June 5, **Mary H. Wallace** and **Eric Hedman** were wed at Sage Chapel in Ithaca. The wedding party included maid of honor **Amy M. Gillis '96**, best man **Qinli Jeremy Zhu**, and groomsmen **Rolf Dieter Hollstein**. Guests **Deborah E. James** (see update below), **Madaline P. Feinberg**, **Cheryl L. Manalo**, and **Dan '94** and **Meg Nalevanko Falcone**. The latter couple is moving to New Hampshire, where **Meg** will be working in a veterinary practice.

Breaking the Cornell statistic are two other recently married couples, the female half of each opting to defy the odds and marry a non-Cornellian (shocking!). **May 22** marked the wedding of **Claudia M. Trujillo** to **Peter Steed**, lieutenant, United States Army, at the US Military Academy at West Point. Maid of honor was **Priscilla F. McAuliffe**.

On April 18, **Marisa S. Bela** married **Kevin Roberge** in Lancaster, PA. **Marisa** writes that she and **Kevin** met "while doing summer stock three years ago in New Hampshire. We were both in *Grease*; he played **Danny** and I played **Sandy**. Needless to say, at the wedding reception, everyone insisted we sing 'Summer Nights' and 'You're the One That I Want,' which we did. It was quite fun, I might add." Being of Mexican heritage, **Marisa** hired a mariachi band for the wedding, which was attended by **Marisa's** former roommates **Jennifer E. Polansky** (an account executive at Bates USA) and **Jennifer H. Buchalter**. The couple resides in New York City, where their theater company, **Kevin Jay Productions**, is producing the 20th anniversary of the *Elephant Man* this month at an off-Broadway theater. They both often perform on stage themselves, as well.

On to the next logical topic: babies!

Deborah E. James wrote to update me that she'd graduated from Harvard Medical School and was on her way to a pediatrics residency at Harbro Children's Hospital located at Brown in Providence, RI. She also wrote that fellow HMS classmate **Sara A. Hughes** was staying in Boston for her residency in ob/gyn and that **Kristine A. Reeser** was going to Scottsdale, AZ, for general surgery. **Deb** also passed along news from **Kathryn E. Heppner** and **J. Michael Trogolo** of the birth of their first child. **Margaret Emma Trogolo** (**Meg**, for short) was born May 28, weighing in at 8 pounds, 13 ounces, and measuring 21 inches long. **Kathy** and **Mike** are both doing fine, "surviving the sleepless nights and getting to know the little one." **Kathy** and **Mike** plan to introduce their daughter to Cornell at Home-

at the U. of Connecticut this fall." But first, "she will be taking time off to visit California and Cornell friends along the East Coast." According to my fellow class correspondent, **Courtney B. Rubin**, "**Dana L. Karash** has returned to Guatemala, where she spent just over two years volunteering with Concern for America doing appropriate technologies work. Back in the US, she hopes to pursue a degree and career in health education and training." Another adventurous classmate, **Kathryn L. Petrillo**, has finished working for the Peace Corps in Bulgaria as an environmental volunteer. After her assignment ended, she was able to travel for three months in Eastern Europe and the Balkans. **Kathryn** is now employed by the EPA acid rain division, source assessment branch. She is working on

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—STEPHANIE C. BRITT '96

coming (Nov. 5-7) and are "hoping she turns out to be a singer, so we'll start teaching her those Cornell songs as early as possible!"

And while many of us in the DC/Baltimore/Philly area enjoyed a beautiful day at an Orioles game and pre-party sponsored by the Cornell Club of Maryland on June 6, **Erica Wiedrick** Myers gave birth to daughter **Meghan Suzanne**. This news comes to me from **Kathy J. Kiang**, who says that **Meghan** is a happy and healthy baby (8 pounds, 9.7 ounces, and 20.5 inches at birth) and that both **Erica** and her husband **Mike** are overjoyed and doing fantastic. **Kathy** is a part-time student at the George Washington U.'s school of business and public management's professional MBA program; she also works full-time as an account specialist at the Bureau of National Affairs in Washington, DC. **Kathy** also passed along information from **Alex Pascover**, who is halfway done with law school at Georgetown and spent the summer as an associate at **Vinson & Elkins**, just a few blocks from the White House.

That's all for now. See you at Homecoming! ♦ **Alison M. Torrillo**, 1330 New Hampshire Ave., NW, Apt. 819, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail, amt7@cornell.edu.



Congratulations to everyone who earned graduate degrees last summer. It may be hard to believe, but some of us have yet to experience the personal fulfillment that comes with continuous full-time employment. There's nothing quite like signing your performance evaluation or discussing the nuances of "Buffy the Vampire Slayer" at the company watercooler. Unfortunately, my company doesn't have a watercooler, so I have to stand near the refrigerator during lunchtime to share my views.

"After three years in the working world," **Ami V. Gadhia** "will be going to law school

the Nox budget trading program which will be fully implemented in 2003.

Teresa A. Kurtz earned an MPH in environmental health from the U. of Minnesota, Twin Cities campus. She is working for the university while she considers medical school or public health service for next year. **Albert Q. Nguyen** earned a master's of public health from Boston U. He is currently "livin' the *vida loca*" in Boston. Last summer, **Michelle J. Pirozzi** was a law clerk at the US Attorney's office in Las Vegas. She will finish her final year of law school at Pepperdine U. **Nyree D. van Maarseveen** is working at the UCSD Medical Center co-managing a nationwide study of asthma medications in pregnancy and their effect on the fetus. She loves San Diego. **Pamela L. Sloan** reports that she has started her third year of medical school.

Since **Courtney Rubin** established "Wedding Watch" last year, I thought I would peruse the *New York Times* for a few Cornell-related announcements. **Jill (Akst) '97** was recently married to Dr. **Craig Sheflin**. She works as an analyst with **Andersen Consulting** in New York City. **Janine S. Gillot** and **Nels Nelson** were married in San Diego on Memorial Day last year. **Xiaoqin Lu**, **Dawn A. Chavez**, and **Ranida Touranont** were in the wedding party. **Michael Merritt** and **Mei Mei J. Lee** attended the outdoor ceremony and reception. If "Wedding Watch" is a success, perhaps "Mid-life Crisis Watch" and "Retirement Watch" will be my next pet projects. For now, keep sending in news about your fun-filled weddings, embarrassing relatives, and honeymoon destinations. I promise to put it in the column even if it takes a year—sometimes it does.

I ran into **Joshua Lamont '98**, also an **Andersen Consulting** employee, in the West Village a few months ago. **Josh** tells me that, among other classmates, he still keeps in touch with **Mary Brice Woods**, **Jacqueline M.**

Krueger, Dominique M. Lazanski, and **Ada L. Mancilla.** He tells me that Dominique has a new job with Yahoo! and that Ada works for an architectural firm in Los Angeles. Josh, a former high school classmate from San Diego, CA, was nice enough to comfort me when I admitted that my application for a food services position was denied by the good people at Sea World when I was 16.

Paul Kuo writes that he is a legal clerk at Major League Baseball Properties in NYC, where he lives with **Daniel M. Lin** and **Dave K. Wu**, ME CS '97. He also hangs out with **Kerwin Kam**, ME I '97, and **Ingrid Y. Kuo**. **Jenee A. Chizick** "just landed a new job at Temple U. as the outreach and marketing coordinator for their study abroad programs. [She'll] be traveling 16 weeks a year, designing promotional brochures, and maintaining their website." She moved to Philadelphia last November. **Emre K. Mimaroglu** "graduated from the MBA program at the Stern School of Business (NYU) in NYC." He expected to join Merrill Lynch at their investment banking division in London. **Scott R. Goldsmith** wrote, "**Alexis S. Farrell** is an investment banker at CS First Boston."

For **Connie A. White**, "Life in Arizona is great!" **Geoffrey D. Vitale** and **Steve Kagan** recently visited her in Phoenix, where she is the director of human resources at the Phoenix Country Club. "Life is good!" for **Stephanie C. Britt**, too. She "found the dream job [at the Palm Beach Oceanfront Resort] and dream man!" She is, however, a bit nostalgic about our alma mater. In Denver, CO, **Heather L. Nydam**, MHA HE '99, started her first "real" job at Centura Health. **Robin C. Mclean** also had a very busy year; she began teaching high school agriculture in Salem County, NJ. **Judy V. Luong**, a formulation chemist at Bayer Corporation keeps in touch with **Tung Do** '97.

Anna I. Castro "is having a great time in Boston hanging out with **Dan Caffarelli**, **Ariella P. Benger**, **Maureen C. Mellett**, **Pablo G. Garcia** '97, and **Julie B. Ross**." She is still singing in an all-women's group along with **Debbie E. James** '95 and **Kathy Heppner** '95. **Jessica M. Andrews** has been working in the San Francisco Bay Area since graduation, but now she will be "starting grad school at the U. of Oregon (Eugene)." She is pursuing her master's of architecture and plans on working in the area of sustainable, ecological architecture. Brian S. Walkenberg is leaving his post as a process engineer at MKE-Quantum Components to return to school. He plans to earn an MS in materials and an MBA from MIT and the Sloan School as part of the leaders for manufacturing program.

If you have any news to share, please write one of your class correspondents. We would all love to hear from you. You can also use *Cornell Magazine* On/Line: <http://cornell-magazine.cornell.edu/> to update us on your many achievements. ♦ **Allie Cahill**, 519 9th Street, Brooklyn, NY 11215; e-mail, TBRAllie@aol.com; **Courtney Rubin**, 1727 Massachusetts Ave., NW, Apt. #03, Washington, DC 20036; e-mail, crubin@washing

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Thanks to all who continue to send news, via our Web page at www.classof97.cornell.edu or the update postcards, and to those who have supported the class and our alma mater by giving to our class gift and paying class dues.

After finishing her first year at Cornell Law, **Melanie A. Chieu**, MPA '98, (mac14@cornell.edu) noted that 24-hour access to Myron Taylor Hall's library is not something she views as a blessing now that her undergrad days are done. Also on campus, **Alicia Bailon-Plaza** (ab40@cornell.edu) is completing graduate work in biomechanical engineering. **Sarah E. Kron** spent 1998 in Ithaca as an Americorps volunteer working with the Tompkins County Soil and Water Conservation District; she moved to Maine in October 1998 to start a position as a soil scientist with the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service.

Rachel M. Laveman continues her studies at Fordham law school and provided several updates in late 1998. **Nikki E. Arvanites** and **Kim F. Kilpatrick** were living together in New Jersey; **Rikki P. Lober** was a law student at Vanderbilt; **Stu Bagatell** was teaching junior high biology in Florida; **Sharon M. Flicker** was in New Mexico working toward a PhD in psychology; **Aviva J. Halpern**, who planned to apply to law school, moved in with **Robyn G. Altman** in NYC.

December grad **Ryan Zimmerman**, BS Eng '98, (rzimmer3@csc.com) started working for CSC in May 1998 as a technical consultant. As of November 1998, Ryan was living in East Hanover, NJ, and was hoping to move to London for a year before searching for a job in Los Angeles. Ryan kept up with **Ari Chopra**, **Barry Jonas**, **Bob Nahmias**, and **Blair Jenness**, BS Eng '98. **Dave Raksin** (draksin@hotmail.com), a health-care investment banking analyst with Prudential Securities in New York City, wrote that **Christopher Strebel** spent a year in Cape Town, South Africa, and then moved to NYC, where he worked as a paralegal, while **Jen W. Soong** '98 worked for *Redbook* magazine. **Rajen Shah** (rajen.a.shah@ac.com) worked for a couple financial services companies before serving as a process consultant with Andersen; he's worked on projects with **Patrick J. "Pat" Newman** '96. **Amy B. Silino** (asilini@LZAGroup.com) moved to New York after a year as a strategic facilities planner for the Hillier Group, an architectural firm in Princeton, NJ. In December 1998, Amy was "fully invigorated" by New York's charms, working for Thornton-Tomasetti/Engineers and living with **Rachel I. Resnick** and **Alison E. Munsell**.

Congrats to **Darael A. Mahoney**, who won a grant from NYC-based Echoing Green Foundation, a philanthropic organization that applies a venture capital approach to grassroots social change projects. Darael, a HumEc grad, and a colleague will use the \$90,000 grant over the next two years to work to foster

sustainable access to basic resources for a small, rural community in the Dominican Republic. **Zsafia Leranth** (Leranth@marriott.hu) continues to enjoy her work in Hungary and has made a lot of good friends. **Song Hee Volk's** (rai16@hotmail.com) dad wrote that she interned with the vice-minister of Shanghai while a grad student in an international relations program at Ewha U. in Seoul, Korea. Following her May 1999 graduation, she planned to study international law. Meanwhile, **Alan Yeung**, BA '96, (ay16@cornell.edu) intended to spend fall 1998 on an exchange program with Hong Kong U. to kick off his last year of law school at the U. of British Columbia.

Jose Bravo, BS Ag '98, (jab22@cornell.edu) is a second-year med student and proud to be a Cornell grad. **Toby Emo** (tse2@cornell.edu) worked in Nunda, NY, for a mixed animal practice veterinarian and prepared for vet school by taking classes and doing research. **Ann E. Marimow** (amarimow@cmonitor.com) continues to pursue a career in journalism, as she moved from Washington, DC's *Congressional Quarterly* to the *Concord Monitor*, a daily newspaper in Concord, NH. **Karyn I. Tremper** completed a year-long master's program in conservation biology at the U. of Kent in Canterbury, England, in 1998. **Deepa S. Isac** (disac@emory.edu) has one year of law school under her belt at Emory U.

After working in Cincinnati as a zookeeper, **Deborah L. Smith** (babyd_97@hotmail.com) moved to Jacksonville, FL, and accepted a position as a zookeeper in the aviculture department of the Jacksonville Zoo. She's happy to be settled for a while and is enjoying the northern Florida weather. After finishing her first year of grad school at the U. of Rochester, **Susannah Elwyn** (elwyn@arizona.edu) moved to Tucson (as did two of her professors from Rochester and their labs) to continue her PhD studies in evolutionary biology. She wrote that **Rob "Gavin" Houtman** '98 moved to Phoenix, and they are both enjoying the climate. **Kim Mashak** Tudahl Messeri, MMH '97 (kmashak@hotmail.com) married Ron Messeri in November 1998. She moved from San Antonio, TX, where she worked as a market analyst at La Quinta Inns Inc. corporate headquarters, to Austin, TX.

Prior to starting as a financial consultant with Merrill Lynch in New York, **Michael A. Davis**, BS Ag '98, (7mad@email.msn.com) and nearly 60 other fraternity brothers from Pi Kappa Phi chapters nationwide cycled from the Golden Gate Bridge to the steps of the Capitol to raise awareness and funding for the needs of the disabled. Michael was the event's top fundraiser; combined efforts yielded \$300,000. **Alex Manolopoulos**, who works in the financial services industry, said in December 1998 that the '97 Delta Upsilon class hasn't done a great job of keeping in touch. Nonetheless, Alex caught up with **Seth Payne** and **Brian** and **Brandon Opre** for a boating run near Shaquille O'Neal's Orlando home. The friends discussed Seth's transition to celebrity as a Jax Jaquar, which has included

"newfound relationships with models and his status as a Jacksonville superstar."

Sandra J. Smith (sjs20@cornell.edu) has traveled to England and Paris since graduating; she's working as a self-employed contract technical recruiter and relocated to Annapolis, MD. Sandra has kept in touch with **Joey Oh**, **Tara L. McCormick**, and **Jubie Adrienne Sam Simpson** and **Marci D. Goldstein** are second-year law students at George Washington law school in Washington, DC. **Robin H. Yates** also attended Homecoming last year and added that she sees a lot of Cornellians as she completes med school at the U. of Buffalo. She's active with the local Alumni Admissions Ambassador Network (CAAAN) chapter and planned to travel to Europe with **Jennifer M. Mattucci** this summer. **Angela S. Ledgerwood** (angeledge@yahoo.com) summarized Homecoming '98 best: "At Homecoming I saw half the world it seemed, including Rob Seld '96, **C. K. "Tick" Ahearn '96**." Living outside of Philadelphia with **Brian W. Davis '93** and **Eliza S. Barton '96** and working as an environmental scientist for ATC Associates in Burlington, NJ, Angela has seen other alumni at local Cornell Club events. She wrote that she "... [hasn't] done much since graduation ... Called off an engagement, moved 1,000 miles, switched career fields, took up martial arts, turned my life upside down."

E-mail addresses from folks who didn't share news: **Leslie S. Kim**, St. Louis, MO, lsk1@gubmail.wustl.edu; **Ben Norwood**, NYC, (bnorwood@law.columbia.edu); **Felicia R. Stein**, NYC, (feliciarstei@earthlink.net); **Sarah M. Vareschi**, Brighton, MA, (sarah.vareschi@nypro.com); **Alice C. Goh**, NYC, (alice.goh@gs.com); **Ben Funk**, Columbia, SC, (funkb@black.clasc.edu); **Yvette K. Hau**, NYC, (yvette_hau@hotmail.com); **Jill A. Morganstern**, NYC, (jamorgan@mail.med.cornell.edu); **Jacob Mohlman**, Amherst, NY, (jake1661@prodigy.net).

Bethany A. Murray writes: "I am participating in Team in Training this summer (last summer of freedom before third year of vet school at Tufts U.). This is a program that raises money for the Leukemia Society of America while preparing individuals (like me) to complete a marathon (Dublin Marathon, in my case). I need to raise \$3,500 by October 25, which is the day of the race. Anyone wishing to donate, please send a check payable to the Leukemia Society of America to 1807 Wyckwood Ct., Wilmington, DE 19803. Thanks a lot! If you want more information, e-mail me at bmurray@opal.tufts.edu."

I do my best to fill the column with accurate and up-to-date news. If you've got an update or a change to what you find in a column, I encourage you to send it in ASAP. Thanks! ♦ **Erica Broennle**, 2360 Scottsville Rd., Charlottesville, VA 22902; e-mail, ejb4@cornell.edu.

Monday, May 24, I was driving to work when it hit me that exactly one year ago, I was walking to the Arts quad with my friends en route to graduate from college. Geez. Where has it gone?

For many who wrote, much time has passed visiting or working in foreign lands. **Daniel Davidson** wrote that he has started his own business in China! He helps American firms find customers and make sales when he's not teaching and interacting with his students. **Brian Carlson** is working in the KPMG-Paris office, and **Michael Eimstad** is a project engineer for THINK Nordic, a small car company in Norway. In Camberley, England, **Scott Nesmith** works for E-Buy Ltd., and in Santorini (Greek Islands), **Maria Iris Dingli** is working as a front office employee for ACCOR hotels. **Rachael M. Strieter** is in Honduras with the Peace Corps, and **Monie Pierre** is pursuing a master's degree at ESCP France. Also, **Clara Liang** writes that she has been "around the world," with stops in Moscow, China, Hungary, England, and the Czech Republic.

You may be surprised to know that there are two zookeeping '98ers. **Kim McMunn** is a zookeeper at a small zoo near Scranton, PA, and **Amy R. Magiera** is working at the Seneca Park Zoo in Rochester, NY, as the outreach coordinator. While they chase animals, classmate **Kevin Maskell** is chasing planes in his T-34 Mentor, as a part of his undergraduate navigator training in Pensacola, FL. Fellow ROTC classmates **Aaron Trent** and **Michael Pfau** are in Athens, GA, attending the Navy Supply Corps School. Also in the Southeastern US, **Alexis M. Ewing** is enjoying the Miami weather while working as a manager at China Grill Café in Aventura, FL, and **Nic Mayer** is in Atlanta working for the Ritz Carlton in Buckhead.

In Texas, **Jill R. Koerner Stan** writes that she is in Dallas working at a new job and recovering from back surgery. Ouch. In Phoenix, **Gobind Akoi** is a financial analyst in the acquisitions and development group for Starwood Hotels and Resorts. **Filip Laux** writes that he has moved to Honolulu, HI, where he started a web-site development company. In San Diego, **Susan L. Rademacher** is doing cardiac research for the Sharp Foundation for Cardiovascular Research and Education. **Leslie (McQuitty)** and **Anthony Scattone '97** were married in January, honeymooned in Rome, and are living in Southern California. **Izaak Koller** writes that he has an engineering design job and is living in Encinitas, CA, with **Rachel L. Shumate**, who is working in marketing for a high tech firm. In Los Angeles, **Karen L. Viechnicki** works for AlliedSignal Aerospace; **Kirk Keller** is a landscape designer; **Kristin A. Arioli** is at USC pursuing a PhD in art history; and **Micah Rosenbloom** is a TV/film literary agent for the Endeavor Agency of Beverly Hills. **Mary C. Hoffer** is working at Lumeri Productions; **Lynn-Michelle W. Lee** is with H. Hendy Associates, an interior design firm; and **Andrew Arentowicz** is a freelance production assistant working on sets of commer-

cial and music videos. **Aaron Todd** commutes from his home in San Francisco to LA for a day or two each week in his work for Kurt Salmon Associates. Also in the Bay Area are **Joy Lian Waldron**, an actress and nanny, and **Dory Schaeffer**, an editorial assistant at Wadsworth Publishing Company.

Up the coast in Portland, **Lauren J. Habib** is a research assistant at Oregon Health Sciences U. **Leonard Lipovich** is in Seattle working on his PhD in molecular biotechnology at the U. of Washington. In Chicago, **Adam Shaivitz** is working for SCORE Learning Corp. as a director at a learning center for kids. In Indiana, **Wendy L. Soldwedel** is doing graduate work at Purdue U. **Vanessa (Roer)** married **Todd Wernicke '97** this past summer, and they live in Cincinnati, OH. Her bridesmaids included **Annabel Leilon**, **Helene Richards McMurray**, and **Robin G. Heckler**.

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ALUMNI DEATHS

'25—**James G. McCall** of Salt Lake City, UT, November 16, 1998.

'28—**Earnest E. Bliss** of Coming, NY, exact date unknown.

'29 **BS Agr**—**David W. Sowers** of Spring, TX, formerly of Hancock, MD, exact date unknown. Phi Kappa Sigma.

'34—**Elmer J. Walz** of Cherry Hill, NJ, exact date unknown; former owner of an auto body business in West Collingswood Heights. Theta Xi.

'37—**Robert H. Carpenter** of West Palm Beach, FL, exact date unknown.

'37—**John I. Marshall** of Lake Forest, IL, exact date unknown. Chi Psi.

'41 **BA**—**Alvin P. Shapiro** of Pittsburgh, PA, November 21, 1998; pioneer researcher of high blood pressure; former professor at the University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center; recipient of several health and teaching awards; author of professional books and articles; veteran. Tau Epsilon Phi.

'42 **BS Ag**—**Sidney M. Means** of Rochester, NY, exact date unknown.

'42 **BA, LLM '47**—**William Polatsek** of Lakewood, OH, November 24, 1998; retired attorney specializing in tax work and estate planning; helped found and served on the board of the Commerce Exchange Bank in Cleveland; veteran. Pi Kappa Alpha. Wife, Alberta (Doane) '42.

'43, **JD '50**—**J. Larkin Hoyt** of Newburgh, NY, November 23, 1998; established the law firm Scott and Hoyt; active in many professional and community associations; official of the US Tennis Association; veteran. Chi Psi.

'43 **BS Ag**—**Laura Sigman** Bundy (Mrs. Donald L. '42, **BS AE C '43**) of Hudson, OH, and Venice, FL, exact date unknown. Delta Gamma.

'43 **BS Nurs**—**Priscilla Denton** Lane (Mrs. Bruce R. '42) of Ithaca, NY, formerly of West Hartford, CT, November 15, 1998; was a school nurse and health educator; active in church and community affairs.

'44 **BS HE**—**Myra Morris** Carman (Mrs. Durwood R. '44) of Madison, NY, and Lake Wales, FL, November 21, 1998; retired teacher; active in professional and religious affairs.

'45 **BS HE**—**Nancy Godfrey** Van de Visse (Mrs. Martin) of Aurora, CO, November 17, 1998; former teacher; bookkeeper; active in church and community affairs.

'45—**Richard H. Webber** of Grand Island, NY, November 23, 1998; professor emeritus of anatomy at SUNY, Buffalo Medical School; active in professional, religious, and community affairs; veteran.

'45 **MD**—**Charles A. Werner** of Huntington, NY, November 20, 1998; retired internist and radiologist at Huntington Hospital; first medical director of Pfizer International corporation; active in professional affairs; veteran.

'46 **BA**—**Marilyn Silverstein** Becker (Mrs. Robert) of Marblehead, MA, exact date unknown; associated with Lowell (MA) public school system.

'46—**James C. Jardine** of Mobile, AL, exact date unknown; associated with Prudential Bache Securities. Chi Psi.

'48—**Keith G. Blanton** of Gainesville, FL, exact date unknown.

'48 **JD**—**Theodore E. Lapres Jr.** of Margate City, NJ, exact date unknown.

'50—**Herbert C. Hensel** of Ft. Myers Beach, FL, exact date unknown.

'55 **MD**—**Charles Hoffman Jr.** of Loudonville, NY, November 23, 1998; was associated with the Williamstown, MA Medical Association for nineteen years before entering academic medicine; associate director, professor, and chairman of obstetrics/gynecology departments in San Diego, CA, Pittsburgh, PA, and Albany, NY; several professional affiliations; played cello with a number of orchestras; veteran.

'59, **BA '60**—**John B. Fickling** of Gardenvale, Victoria, Australia, was incorrectly listed as deceased based on information received by the university. We regret the error.

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CAMPUS (DE)TOUR

On campus last summer the “in” shade wasn’t carnelian red so much as blaze orange—the webbed plastic fencing that marked chunks of land off limits. Cornell’s \$55 million Lake Source Cooling project, at the height



of its planned year-and-a-half construction term, ripped up a wide swath down the Hill to the edge of Cayuga Lake, closing roads and making commuting a twice-daily adventure. The construction also unearthed memories of the last similar upheaval: the early Eighties, when an overhaul of the telephone system meant new wires had to be run to every jack on campus. Says Harold Craft, vice president for facilities

and campus services: “We dug up everything.”

In the natural order of the construction world, the season starts when the snow melts and keeps going until the ground freezes again. But on university campuses (which need to be in one piece for graduation and reunions in the spring and back together in time for the student migration in the fall) construction time is precious. Planners

make the most of it, and the locals are used to it by now. “Spring term over and the undergraduates departed, the voice of the bulldozer was heard in our land,” the *Alumni News* reported in September 1956, when work was under way on the Gannett health clinic, a new Engineering administration building, and an addition to Statler Hall, among other projects. “But summer students and other Campus dwellers went about their work as unconcerned as the mother sparrow who went in and out of her nest at the top of an Industrial & Labor Relations School building while the earth was dug up around her.”

Four decades later, there’s still plenty of earth being dug up on campus every summer. But on the Hill this year, the business of backhoeing and building and jackhammering was ratcheted up a notch. There was the Lincoln Hall expansion, and the Mann library addition—and, of course, Lake Source, a whopper of a proposition that Craft calls “the most widespread of any of them.” On top of shutting down streets all over the east side of town, the project required the closing of one lane of East Avenue, necessitating a creative detour to North Campus just months after nearby Tower Road was finally reopened following several years of almost-constant closure.

When it comes to actually changing the campus skyline, the last boom came in the late Eighties and early Nineties with the advent of the Field House, the Theory Center, and the Biotech facility. But when a new building is under construction, the site is localized—and at least Cornellians have the pleasure of watching it go up. Digging projects, by contrast, tend to tie up traffic, and when they’re over, everything is the way it was before. Take, for example, the steam line replacement a few years ago that dug up East Avenue from Day Hall to the Engineering Quad. “That,” Craft says, “was a real pain.”



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